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MAYOR'S COLUMN

Since 1993 Maryland cities and towns have celebrated November as Municipal Government Works Month to promote awareness of the government in their communities. Municipal government is closest to the people, as we are often reminded, and we expect it to be on our side, to protect our interests and help make our community better. The accessibility of elected officials and the frequent exchanges between residents and their municipal government also contribute significantly to our Town's well-being. If municipal government doesn't work well, you will let us know. At the municipal level, government has to work or communities like ours don't function well.

The Town has 28 employees, including 6 who are part-time. There are 11 employees in the Public Works

Department, 10 in the Police Department, and 7 in General Government. There are a lot of moving parts to municipal government, and always work to do. There are rental properties to be inspected and licensed. The Town bus shuttles commuters to and from public transit on weekday mornings and evenings, and midday takes our community seniors to vital appointments and grocery shopping. In our Town, when the County-run public school system can no longer provide a crossing guard, our municipal police department helps fill the breach by providing police officers to help our children safely across the street on their way to and from school. In our Town is where yard waste is picked up and trash collected, where we recycle, and where we have our own kitchen waste composting program. Our fall leaves are vacuumed in University Park, our streets get plowed when it

Town Meetings & Special Dates

Town Council	November 6 & 20
Holidays	November 10, 23 & 24
Development Committee	November 15

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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snows, and more. Lately, our streets are getting occasionally swept.

Some of this is routine, but recent years have brought additional, get-ahead projects to be propelled along. At present, these larger projects include purchase and construction of the new playground to be built in the spring, design and content for a new Town website to be rolled out in February 2018, repair of the Falkenberg bridge and replacement of the Van Buren Street bridge, a diagnostic geotechnical study of the Queens Chapel Road tennis court, and a needs and feasibility study for possible expansion of the Town Hall.



Town employees, past and present.

There is, too, a daily, weekly and seasonal rhythm to municipal government. The Town's bus driver arrives at 5:30 each weekday morning to prepare for the first shuttle trip beginning at 6 a.m. There is always a police officer in Town, often more than one, but shifts change at 6 a.m. and 6 p.m. Public Works Department employees begin work at 7:30 a.m. The Chief of Police and Director of Public Works often separately do "rounds," driving around the Town before arriving at the Town Hall about 8 a.m. Town Hall is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. weekdays, excepting holidays, but weekend or weekday, there is almost always someone at work for the Town on our behalf.

Here at the local level, it is not just Town employees doing municipal work. The Committee on Trees, Parks, and the Environment is planting many trees in Town, and its hard working "Ivy League" has been removing English ivy and other invasive plants from Town parks and lands. There is an elected Mayor and seven elected Councilmembers, plus 7 active committees including several open to broader participation by Town residents. Most recently the Council has established a new Com-

mittee—Helping Hands University Park—to extend services and assistance to seniors in our community in need of some help. An informal advisory group of young parents provided input on the important components of the new playground. The Town also works with civic groups to further extend benefits to our community, including the three Little Free Libraries in the Town which were installed and maintained by the Town, but purchased and painted by volunteers for the University Park Civic Association.

Many of the very best things we do in our community are the things we do together. That collaborative strength is a fundamental reason why municipal government works well in University Park.

—Len Carey

Do you agree or disagree? Did I miss something?

Let me know: mayorcarey@upmd.org



University Park was one of the original Sustainable Maryland Certified municipalities in 2014 and the Town successfully became re-certified again this year. Councilmember Joe Schultz and Mayor Len Carey with the Sustainable Maryland Certified award at the recent Maryland Municipal League conference.

FROM THE CHIEF & CRIME REPORT

We prepare for so many things in our lives, but often forget to prepare for emergencies. Today is a good time to do it. Some reminders:

- Have a three-day supply of food and drinking water on hand for each member of your family.
- Have a portable radio with extra batteries for important information and a secondary means to power your computer.
- Restock your first aid supplies, blankets, flashlights and other necessities.
- Rehearse a family disaster plan, fire drill and designated meeting place.
- Have your furnace checked and serviced.
- Change the batteries in your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors.
- Update your emergency phone contacts.
- Make sure your sump pump is working properly.
- Pets are family members, too. Provide food, water and shelter for them as well.
- Keep your car full of gas, and check your vehicle emergency kit.

These are the basic needs for any type of emergency. Being prepared will ease the stress and anxiety of the situation at hand. It's a good feeling to say, "I'm ready."

The Town of University Park has an active Community Emergency Response Team (CERT). Members of CERT are trained and prepared to respond in all emergencies. CERT is about readiness, people helping people, rescuer safety and doing the greatest good for the greatest number. Get involved and be a part of this incredible team. For more information, please contact Tom Stickles at tstickle1@verizon.net or Ned Goldberg at ned.goldberg@gmail.com.

As we move into the winter months the days are shorter. Automobile accidents are most common at dusk and the visual adjustment to nightfall now occurs in late afternoon. The leaves are falling, the days are cooling rapidly, holidays are approaching and the pace is increasing. Respect for the community includes how we use its roads.

Please slow down, obey red lights, stop for stop signs, and obey other traffic laws. Pedestrians, cyclists and vehicles all share responsibility to make our roads and community a safe place to travel. The UPPD actively enforces school bus safety violations, aggressive driving, impaired



driving, speeding, stop sign violations and texting/cell phone use while driving. Operating a motor vehicle requires your full attention. Make University Park roads a part of your wind-down. Slow your pace, take a deep breath, relax a little before you pull into your driveway. Check out the great neighborhood you live in and be vigilant. Remember to always lock your car doors and don't leave keys or other valuables in the vehicle. Thank you very much for your efforts.

Rebate Program for Home Security Systems Any time is a good time to upgrade your home security. Safer homes make safer neighborhoods. The Town of University Park has made available a \$100 rebate per household to residents who purchase and install approved security equipment that costs \$150 or more. Rebate funds are available for the fiscal year only. Eligible security equipment is limited to motion detectors, alarm systems (commercial or individually installed), outdoor flood-lighting and outdoor cameras. To qualify, residents must submit the Home Security Rebate Request Form which is available at Town Hall or contact the UPPD to have the information sent to you. Also available to UP residents from the UPPD and Ring Video Doorbell is a special offer of a \$25 discount on the purchase of any Ring products.

Breaking & Entering Between Wednesday September 6 8 AM and Thursday September 7 4:35 PM in the 6500 block of Adelphi Rd. a resident/victim arrived home and found clothing and other items strewn about residence. It was determined that suspect/s entered the home through an unlocked living room front window and stole items of clothing. The property taken was recovered near the rear of the house and returned to the

owner. The scene was processed for fingerprints and the neighborhood was canvassed for witnesses. There has been no arrest and the investigation continues.

Breaking & Entering Between Wednesday September 6 8 PM and Thursday September 7 5:35 AM in the 4400 block of Tuckerman St. a resident/victim determined that suspect/s entered the home through an unlocked front porch window and stole a backpack containing prescription sunglasses and a Metro Smartcard. The scene was processed for fingerprints and the neighborhood was canvassed for witnesses. There has been no arrest and the investigation continues.

Theft On September 20 at 2:55 PM in the 4400 block of Tuckerman St. a suspect/s stole a package delivered by UPS containing a green blazer from the front porch of the residence. No suspect/s was located. The investigation is ongoing.

Tree Committee News

Flushed The trees in town are now found in full flush of autumn's colors. Orange is for the sun going down, yellow for the sun to rise again in spring. Red is the determined flag of departure declaring no sense of ambiguity. "I am leaving, retreating into myself, into silence-remember me thus, in the dark days, my brilliance against the lowering skies of November." As most woody plants go into stasis, we are left a bit more exposed as we traverse beneath leafless branches, spiraling into ourselves, concentrating our energies in sync with the trees' concentration of sap down into the murky recess of their roots. Soon our festival of light will arrive, our beautiful emulation of trees leaving the year under coats of orange, yellow and red.

Last Chance to Plant in 2017: Reimbursements Available The first half of November brings the year's final opportunity to plant trees. This two to three-week window (weather dependent) is the tail end of the best time in the whole year to plant. Take full advantage by planting a shade tree selected from the town's approved list. You may then apply for up to \$300 in reimbursement. The list and form for reimbursement is at upmd.org. An ancillary program for understory trees will be launched in 2018.

—Chris Aubry on behalf of the Committee on Trees, Parks and Environment

Helping Hands UP News



What is HHUP? HHUP stands for Helping Hands University Park. We began meeting several years ago and recently became an official University Park Town Committee. Currently we are a committee of 6 UP residents who meet monthly to plan programs, discuss ways of connecting with our local seniors and to plan for how we will involve the over 50 UP residents who indicated an interest in volunteering as far back as November 2016.

Our mission is to help residents remain in their homes as they age, if that is their wish. We will be doing this through various volunteer activities, educational and social programs and through partnerships with other individuals and organizations that complement our mission. By engaging a wide range of residents, we hope to enhance the quality of life for the entire community.

At our October event at the Clarice Smith Center for the Performing Arts, we learned how much our seniors love to get together-for a concert and conversation, to get together for coffee, or to walk together. Because social isolation can be so prevalent as we get older, providing opportunities for socializing will be an important focus for HHUP. We are also interested in developing inter-generational opportunities-for the child who doesn't have grandparents nearby, for example.

We are fortunate to be able to look within our own community for speakers and programming opportunities. We are thrilled to have Dr. Carlo Tornatore as our first speaker, introducing National Memory Screening month on Thursday, November 2 at the University Park Church of the Brethren. As we grow, we will look to our UP residents to offer talks, help organize walking groups, drive seniors to free concerts at The Clarice and so on.

We are involved in the larger community, through the Prince George's County Aging in Place working group, Dementia Friendly Prince George's, the Alzheimer's Foundation and the Montgomery County Village Program. Those partnerships have helped us offer memory screenings at the Word of God Baptist Church on November 7.

JCA Village Rides staff is training us to use a customer friendly way to match volunteers with our seniors for visits, rides, assistance with various chores, etc. As soon

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as our committee is trained, we will set up volunteer training (at long last).

Are you alone, without plans for Thanksgiving? Are you able to host another person or two at your Thanksgiving dinner? Contact HHUP: HHUniversityPark@gmail.com or 301-892- 6636. We'll do our best to make matches so everyone has a place to celebrate Thanksgiving this year.

Looking ahead to 2018: We plan to offer a Memory Cafe for the first time in University Park. What is a Memory Cafe? It is a welcoming place for people with memory problems and other changes in their thinking. It is also intended as a social time for family and friends who are caregivers. It provides a stigma-free environment for those with early-stage Alzheimer's disease, mild cognitive impairment or other forms of dementia and their spouses, partners and caregivers. It is a great opportunity for lively discussions, information gathering, refreshments, camaraderie and engaging creative fun! Dates: Tuesday, Feb. 13, 2018 and then the 2nd Tuesday of each month through June 2018, 1:30-3:00 PM at the Word of God Baptist Church. Call 301-892-6636 for information.

September 18 Council Meeting Highlights

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

Permits

Motion to approve the request for a building permit to replace existing porch, steps and walkway with concrete located at 6507 Queens Chapel Road. Motion approved 7 to 0.

Appeal from violation notice-attic ceiling height, basement window height from the floor and adding a GFIC kitchen outlet, 6713 Queens Chapel Road.

Motion to approve the appeal of a requirement of Town Code Section 13-204(a) that habitable space shall have a clear ceiling height of not less than seven (7) feet for at least one-half (1/2) of the space and in attics the ceiling height shall be not less than seven (7) feet for at least one-third (1/3) of the area of such space when used for habitation, a request for a variance of one (1) inch in one section and eight (8) inches in another section for an attic ceiling height of six (6) feet, eleven (11)

inches and six (6) feet, four(4) inches, due to prior permits have been issued in error and the owner has made investments in reliance on those permits. Motion approved 7 to 0.

Motion to approve the appeal of the requirement to comply with International Residential Code Section R310 that the bottom of egress windows in every sleeping room cannot exceed forty-four (44) inches above the floor and that egress windows must have a minimum net clear opening height of twenty-four (24) inches. Owner requests a variance of ten (10) inches to retain the current height of the window off the floor and to permanently install a two-step riser under the window to assist in exiting the building in an emergency, and a variance request to retain current window height of twenty-three and a half (23.5) inches. Motion denied 6 to 1 (Caskey Yea vote).

Motion to deny the appeal of the requirement for an egress window issue in the basement, and allow that compliance not be required until July 1, 2018, provided that a platform, 10" high, 12" deep and the width of the window is installed within 30 days. Motion approved 6 to 1 (Wells opposed).

Motion to approve the appeal of the National Electrical Code Section 210.52(C) (1) requirement that receptacle outlets shall be installed so that no point along the wall line is more than twenty-four (24) inches measured horizontally from a receptacle outlet. Owner requests a waiver of this requirement to add one (1) additional GFIC outlet to kitchen countertop. Motion approved 5 to 2 (Thompson and Alvarez opposed).

Appeal from violation notice-basement ceiling height, 4414 East West Highway.

Motion to deny the appeal of the requirement of Town Code Section 13-204 (a) that habitable space shall have a clear ceiling height of not less than seven (7) feet for at least one-half (1/2) of the space, and allow that compliance not be required until August 1, 2018. Motion approved 7 to 0.

Continuing Business

Motion to adopt LR 2017-O-06 to amend Town Code Section 13-217 requiring every sleeping room to have at least one openable window or exterior door approved for secondary emergency egress or rescue. A single means of egress may be approved by the Town in cases

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of fireproof construction and other approved circumstances. Motion approved 7 to 0.

New Business

Motion to introduce LR 2017-O-07 to transfer \$20,000 from Line Item F4 Unreserved Designated Park Infrastructure and \$27,000 from Unreserved Undesignated to Public Works Line Item W17 Park Playground to cover the cost of installing the new multi-age playground adjacent to Wells Parkway near the 911 Memorial. The earliest this resolution may be considered is at the October 2, 2017 Council meeting. Motion approved 7 to 0.

Motion to introduce LR 2017-O-08 to increase Line Item R18 Sale of Assets by \$22,000 and to increase Line Item W15 Equipment by \$22,000 and to transfer \$1,400 from Unreserved Undesignated Funds to Line Item W15 Equipment, for a total of \$23,400, to purchase a Grasshopper 725DT to improve winter maintenance capabilities while also giving the Town another mower for summer maintenance. The earliest this resolution may be considered is at the October 2, 2017 Council meeting. Motion approved 7 to 0.

Motion: Per Section 2-105 (b) of the Town Ordinances, to override sealed bid procedures for good cause and award a contract to Woodbine Equipment and Supply, Inc., 7746 Woodbine Road, Woodbine, Maryland for the purchase of a Grasshopper 725DT, and to authorize Mayor and Town Attorney on the behalf of the Town to negotiate and sign a contract with Woodbine Equipment and Supply, Inc. for such purchase. Good cause to override the sealed bid procedure is that by purchasing through the U.S. Communities Contract, the cost to the Town will be less than by riding the Maryland State Contract. Motion approved 7 to 0.

Discussion for Redesign and Expansion of Town Hall
Town Treasurer Dan Baden gave a brief overview for the redesign and expansion of Town Hall.



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.

- A top priority for the Councilmembers at the Strategic Plan Retreat last year was the possible expansion/renovation of the Town Hall to increase services to the residents and provide a large meeting area.
- At a recent staff meeting, it was suggested that it would be best to get a proposal to update the 2009 study, Program for Expansion & Space Usage Study of the Town Hall (Ahmann Architects) and to do a Site Feasibility Analysis (Ben Dyer Associates, Inc.). Written proposals for both of these projects were presented to the Council.
- With limited time remaining at this meeting, it was suggested that this topic should be brought back to Council for further discussion prior to making any decisions.

Department and Council Reports Mayor's Report

- The Mayor has been meeting as a member of the Maryland Municipal League Legislative Committee.
- The Mayor attended the Maryland Open Meetings Compliance Training on September 12, as did several Councilmembers.
- The Maryland Municipal League Fall Conference is scheduled for October 11-14.
- At the October 16 Council meeting, we will have two presentations. One will be a conversation with the PTA and School Principal regarding the state of the school and the other will be a presentation from Dr. Dina Fonseca and UP Mosquito Coordinator Amy Milne to discuss the results of the 2017 Mosquito Program.
- Mayor will be out of the office from October 17-24.
- The Town recently received a notice from the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development that University Park's application for a Circuit Rider Grant has been denied.
- The two traffic studies at Sheridan Street and post-Cafritz have begun. When they are available, the post-Cafritz study recommendations will be reviewed first by the Police, Traffic and Public Safety Committee and then by the Council.
- Regarding the house at 6716 Baltimore Avenue which has been destroyed by a fire, the house has been secured to the fullest extent possible and the owner has a contractor for the demolition. The County will issue a final violation notice on or before October 28 and will be requesting bids for demolition.

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Council and Committee Reports

Development Overview Committee The committee is scheduled to meet on September 20.

Policy, Rules and Municipal Structure Committee The committee is scheduled to meet on September 27.

Town Clerk Toscano The evening bus driver is on vacation. Andrew, our morning driver, is filling in.

Chief of Police Wynnyk

The August 2017 Crime Report was distributed.

- There is no crossing guard at the University Park Elementary School. Police officers are helping out as much as possible and a couple of "Slow" signs were purchased for Queens Chapel Road to help slow traffic.
- Chief Wynnyk was appointed to the Governor's Task Force on Bicycle Safety.
- Code Compliance Officer Mr. Brown has been in regular contact with the homeowner of the burned down house on Baltimore Avenue. Re-inspections on rentals are almost done.
- CM Verrill reported to Chief Wynnyk that cars have been seen going through the intersection of Van Buren and College Heights without slowing down. Another reported many cars heading east from University Park going towards Whole Foods are going around the median straight into Whole Foods.

The meeting adjourned by consent at 10:07 PM.

October 2 Council Meeting Highlights

Present were Mayor Carey; Councilmembers (CM) Thompson, Verrill, Caskey, Wells, Alvarez. Excused: Schultz, Hess.

Permits

Motion to approve the request for a building permit to install an 8'x 10' shed located at 4003 Tennyson Road. Motion approved 5 to 0.

Public Comment

A resident received a handout that was distributed in Greenbelt that showed all of the Do's and Don'ts of recycling. A resident suggested that the Town make colored copies of this flyer and insert this information in the Town Newsletter. This flyer is being adapted to Universi-

ty Park, with permission from the City of Greenbelt, and will be part of an insert in the November Newsletter.

A number of residents attended the Council meeting to express their interest in starting a relief effort for hurricane victims in Puerto Rico. A suggestion was made to bring in small sources of solar powered lights and chargers to help with charging cell phones, computers, etc. and with the hope that this short-term effort will also help them in the future. Mayor Carey suggested that these residents form a working group and do some research and come back to a Council meeting with ideas of what can be done as a town. Councilmember Martha Wells agreed to join this working group.

Continuing Business

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Discussion for Redesign and Expansion of Town Hall

Town Treasurer Dan Baden and Council discussed the proposals for redesign and expansion of Town Hall.

- The direction is to update the Program for Expansion Space Usage Study by using Ahmann Architects based on current needs.
- Ben Dyer Associates, Inc. gave a proposal for a Feasibility Study of the site.
- The staff had a preliminary brainstorming session and came up with a plan of a one level facility for mostly public use (community meeting area) and doing more renovation to the existing building.
- The basement, which would house the Public Works Department, has to be a major part of the plan.

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- A concern of whether the feasibility study should be done before or after the design.
 - A question about the lot coverage was raised and whether a variance would be needed for the project.
 - The plan is to look for grants to fund any construction with this project.
 - Mr. Baden said that there are bond bills for capital improvement projects.
 - It was suggested to consider a Green design for this project.
 - A shared-use facility designed to include ADA accessible space where the Council could meet will also allow for setting up a permanent video camera for streaming meetings, providing space for classes, luncheons for seniors, UP Civic Association and Woman's Club meetings, etc.
- The Council agreed that something needs to be done to expand and improve Town Hall. Mayor Carey said that a proposal will be presented at the next meeting.

New Business

Motion: To approve the transfer of \$2,500 from Police Line Item P22 Police Cruiser to Line Item P9 Bike Patrol to enable the purchase of a pedal bike with electric assist for patrolling. Motion approved 5 to 0.

Motion: To adopt the Proclamation declaring November 2017 as Municipal Government Works Month, which is a prerequisite to be eligible as a Banner City in the Maryland Municipal League. Motion approved 5 to 0.

Motion to declare one Bendpak MD-6X portable mid-rise scissor lift, one Belair 80 gallon, 3hp vertical compressor, one Promaxx diamond plate pickup truck tool box, one Delta band saw and two Reading 6' frame-mounted steel tool bins as surplus and authorize the Director of Public Works to sell them. Motion approved 5 to 0.

Motion: Per Section 2-105 (b) of the Town Ordinances, to override sealed bid procedures for good cause and award a contract for \$10,530 to American Tennis Courts, Inc. of 4051 North Point Road, Baltimore, Maryland to resurface the new multi-age playground, and to authorize the Mayor on the behalf of the Town to arrange for such installation. Good cause to override the established sealed bid procedure has been demon-

strated in that it is a competitively bid contract through U.S. Communities. This contract is currently in use by Montgomery County. Motion approved 5 to 0.

Mayor and Council Reports

Mayor's Report

- Street sweeping has recently begun in University Park. The agreement with the City of Hyattsville is that they will clean our streets for six months out of the year (January, April, May, June, September and October). This process will take approximately two to three days each month and Mayor Carey plans to post the schedule and encourages residents not to park on the street during these times, if possible.
- The north end of the hiker/biker trail opened on Sunday.
- The playground groundbreaking is scheduled for October 28 at 9 AM. Delegate Tawanna Gaines will be present along with the playground advisory team.
- In reference to appeals on building and rental codes, the Mayor recognizes they are for the Council to decide, but urges much more caution about matters under appeal which are related to health and safety. Empathy should be tempered by considering the safety and well-being of the tenants or others who call University Park home, and of the liability to the Town should something happen when we allow a serious hazard to continue beyond a reasonable deadline by which it should have been eliminated or abated. A Council work session will be proposed in the next few months with Craig Brown to discuss some of the issues.

Council and Committee Reports

Police, Traffic and Public Safety Committee The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 4 at 7 PM at Town Hall. October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month sponsored by the Office of the Sheriff. Mayor Carey said that the Town is participating by using purple light bulbs at Town Hall.

Mayor Carey reported that Captain McCully will be out of the office for approximately six weeks while recovering from an illness. Sergeant Dan Enig was given a temporary promotion in order to fulfill Captain McCully's duties.

Policy, Rules and Municipal Structure Committee The Committee met but took no action at the September 27 meet-

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ing because they did not have a quorum.

The meeting adjourned by consent at 9 PM.

UPCA News

Thanks to the Becrafts and Daberkows for hosting a spooktastic Scaryoke social! We all had fun hearing our neighbors' singing into the mics and enjoying the treats and camaraderie. Congrats to the winners of the 2017 Chili Cookoff: Cate Tornquist (1st) and Dan Epstein (2nd) in the mild category, Bob Moss (1st) and Hadassah Balden (2nd) for veggie, Audrey Hurtt (1st) and Isabelle & Elena (2nd) in the Kids category, and TJ Becraft (1st) and Ingrid Ardjosoediro, who made us all cry with their 5-alarm chilis! Many thanks to Tom Williams and Sarah Starrett for organizing, ensuring that this favorite neighborhood event remained outstanding! And thanks to Nicole Lucier for scheduling the Kids Halloween Party. Everyone enjoyed the great crafts from Pyramid Atlantic and ArtWorks Now and showing off their costumes!

Memory & Aging Lecture

by **Dr. Carlo Tornatore**

Thursday, November 2, 6:30-8 PM

There is a popular notion that memory loss is inevitable as we age. Not so! There are many strategies to maintain sharp cognition throughout one's life. In addition, memory loss may be associated with a host of reversible medical conditions, which when properly treated can significantly improve one's quality of life. We'll discuss this in a lively interactive session with ample time for questions and answers. Join us for the lecture and light refreshments. Sponsored by Helping Hands UP. University Park Church of the Brethren, 4413 Tuckerman.

University Park Woman's Club

Monday, November 6, 11:30 AM

The UPWC November event will present Dr. Bria Collins, an audiologist. Learn more about your sense of hearing, problems that may arise and how they may be remedied. Registration is at 11:30, followed by a light lunch, brief meeting and the program. Guests are welcome. RSVP is required. The meeting is held at the University Christian Church, 6800 Adelphi Rd. RSVP to patmyers2@verizon.net or 301-439-6813.



TOWN EVENTS



Foliage Crawl

Sunday, November 12, 9 AM

Join the Ivy League's first annual Foliage Crawl. Participants can join members of the TPE committee to marvel at UP's trees in full flush. Trees unknown will be identified. Examples of ivy's impact on shade trees will be discussed. We will assemble at the Veteran's Memorial, Wells Parkway & Eversfield, to walk a mile or so through town at a gentle pace. No tools required: this is an observational/conversational event.

Free Memory Screening

Tuesday, November 7, 10 AM-1 PM

Helping Hands UP is sponsoring a free memory screening. Each screening takes approximately 10 minutes. The results provide a baseline for the person being screened and his/her doctor. They can sometimes suggest if someone should see a physician for a



full evaluation. A screening consists of a series of questions and/or tasks designed to test memory, language skills, thinking ability and other intellectual functions. The person who administers the screening will review the results with the person being screened and suggest whether the person should follow up with a physician or other clinician for more extensive testing. Results of the memory screenings are confidential. The participant will receive the screening results to bring to a healthcare professional for follow-up and/or inclusion in medical files. Word of God Baptist Church, Rooms 1 and 2, Education Building, 6513 Queens Chapel Rd. To register, call Loretta at 240-487-9445.

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Celebration of Veterans

Saturday, November 11, 11 AM

On the 11th Hour of the 11th Day of the 11th Month we take pause and give thanks to the men and women that have served and that are serving our great nation. The University Park Civic Association is pleased to invite you to a Celebration of Veterans at the corner of Wells and Eversfield Drive. Speakers and a small reception to follow. Anyone interested in speaking and/or volunteering is most welcome. Please email Dawn Nichols at dawnandjoe@verizon.net.



Dr. Doug Gill on the Chester River Field Research Station

Saturday, November 11, 5 PM

Dr. Doug Gill, UP resident and professor emeritus Department of Biology, University of Maryland, will discuss 228 acres of former farm land in Chestertown, Maryland that has been restored to a prairie. The Chester River Field Research Station is studying: the performance of native and alien plants as they change under experimental management protocols of grassland establishment and maintenance, the response of wildlife, especially bird species of special concern, and the best ways of developing cost-effective management protocols to optimize an attractive and sustainable habitat for grassland wildlife. This is a prelude to a day-trip to the research station with a guided tour by Professor Gill. University Park Church of the Brethren, 4413 Tuckerman St. For more info, call 301-779-3168.

UPCA Beaujolais Nouveau Social

Thursday, November 16, 7 PM

Celebrate Beaujolais Day with the UPCA, as we welcome the new wine of the harvest from the Beaujolais AOC. The Horne Residence is graciously hosting our November social, where we'll enjoy this young, fruity wine. Hope you'll join in saying *Le Beaujolais nouveau est arrivé!* Horne Residence, 6905 Forest Hill Drive.



After 8 Book Group

Tuesday, November 21, 8-10 PM

November's book is *The Little Paris Bookshop* by Nina George. December's title is *Ordinary Grace* by William Krueger. Please call Laura Donnelly 301-927-6550 for more information.



UPCA 2nd Turkey Bowl

Sunday, November 26, 1-5 PM

Are you ready for some football? The rivalry lives on with the 2nd annual Turkey Bowl, facing off University Park and College Heights Estates in flag football. Keep an eye on the listserv and UPCA website for the registration form. Save the date, spread the word. UP Town Field, 6544 Queens Chapel Road.

For All Good Causes

Holiday Market & Sharing Fair

Saturday, December 2, 9:30 AM-3 PM



You'll find handcrafts from global artisans at SERRV, gifts to help meet the needs of hungry families at Heifer International, local art, fair trade coffee, tea and chocolate, and much more. Drop by to find some creative gifts, enjoy grilled bratwursts or veggie burgers and fixings, or take something home from the baked goods table to share with friends or family. All participants represent nonprofit and fair trade groups working to make the world a better place. For more information, please call 301-864-4328. Enjoy shopping close to home and supporting great causes! University Park Church of the Brethren, 4413 Tuckerman St. (on the corner of Tuckerman and Route 1).

Help with the UPCA Town Holiday Potluck

Saturday, December 9, 4-6 PM

Calling all neighbors for the UPCA Town Holiday Party! Join us for the Tree Lighting & Potluck Dinner held at the UP Elementary Cafeteria. This is our biggest event of the year, so please contact Curtis Burrill, cpburill2@gmail.com, if you can lend a hand.

Great Decisions 2018:

A Foreign Policy Discussion Group

Second & Fourth Tuesdays, 7:30-9:30 PM

Join the Great Decisions group for lively discussions about U.S. foreign policy on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday in February through May. We will meet in the University Park Church of the Brethren library at the corner of Tuckerman and Baltimore Avenue. The booklet and additional materials may be found at the FPA website: www.fpa.org. If you are interested in joining us, would like a discounted price on the discussion booklet, or have other questions and suggestions, please contact John Rogard Tabori at McTab@aol.com. A full description of this year's topics can be found at fpa.org.

November 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>Curbside Leaf Vacuuming November 6-January 5</p> 		<p>Save the date! UPCA Town Holiday Potluck Saturday, December 9, 4-6 PM</p>	1	2 Recycling Memory & Aging Lecture, 6:30-8 PM	3 Trash	4
5	6 Yard Waste Town Council, 7:30 PM UPWC Meeting, 11:30 AM	7 Trash Free Memory Screening, 10 AM-1 PM	8	9 Recycling	10 Town Holiday Town Hall closed, no shuttle service, no waste pick up	11 Celebration of Veterans, 11 AM Second Saturday Lecture by Dr. Doug Gill, 5 PM
12 Foliage Crawl, 9 AM	13 Yard Waste	14 Trash	15 Development Overview Committee, 7:30 PM	16 Recycling UPCA Beaujolais Nouveau Social, 7 PM	17 Trash	18
19	20 Yard Waste Town Council, 7:30 PM	21 Trash Book Group, 8-10 PM	22 Recycling	23 Town Holiday Town Hall closed, no shuttle service, no waste pick up	24 Town Holiday Town Hall closed, no shuttle service, no waste pick up	25
26 UPCA 2nd Turkey Bowl, 1-5 PM	27 Yard Waste	28 Trash	29	30 Recycling	December 1 Trash	2 For All Good Causes Holiday Market & Sharing Fair Saturday, December 2, 9:30 AM-3 PM



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