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TOWN MEETINGS AND SPECIAL DATES

SEP 30 - NEWSLETTER Deadline for the November issue, 12 NOON

OCT 5 - COUNCIL MEETING (NOTE: All Meetings now are legislative meetings)

OCT 12 - Columbus Day holiday
(Town Hall closed; no bus service)

OCT 19 - COUNCIL MEETING

NOV 1 - (Sunday) NEWSLETTER Deadline for the December issue, 12 NOON
AND...Daylight Savings Time ends!

Town meetings begin at 7:30 PM at University Park Elementary School. All interested residents are encouraged to attend. Interpreting services can be provided with a request made ten days in advance. Agenda for Council Meetings is posted on the Town's website as well as on the bulletin board outside the Town Hall on the Friday before each Meeting.

FROM THE MAYOR

JOHN ROGARD TABORI

Welcome to fall in University Park! As usual, life never is dull in this neck of the woods. In the middle of August, the Town received notice that the owners of Toledo

Terrace, the CONTEE CORPORATION (CC), wished to tear down all the old garden apartments and replace them with town houses and a set of apartment towers, one of which would be 33 stories high. Collectively, the new buildings would house more than 2,750 rental apartments and condos, 200,000 square feet of office space, and 89,000 square feet of commercial space. As you can imagine, it took our breath away!

CC presented their plans for the newly-named "BELCREST PLAZA" REDEVELOPMENT PROJECT at a special meeting of the Mayor and Council on August 24th. As you may note from the minutes of that meeting (in this NEWSLETTER), a number of Town residents attended and plied the developers with many cogent questions about (and objections to) those plans. Their objections (and other concerns) were summarized in two letters submitted to the Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission (MNCPPC) on August 26th and September 2nd, on behalf of the Mayor and Council and the residents of University Park. The foci of these letters included the traffic, storm water, and architectural impacts of the proposed "Belcrest Plaza" project on University Park.

While the traffic and architectural impacts on the Town are relatively obvious, the storm water problem is more subtle. Until we were able to review the Storm Water Management Conceptual Plan that CC submitted to PG County's Office of Storm Water Management for approval, we were not

aware of how much additional water might be directed into our Stream. This project could double the amount of water that currently spills from the Toledo Terrace property. And while CC proposed to control the quantity of water that heads toward UP at any given moment, it did not take into account the fact that **our Stream currently reaches its maximum carrying capacity** even during relatively mild storms! Since 2003, on at least four occasions, the Stream has overflowed to the point where it has flooded the basements of the homes that border it. We also have had numerous incidents where the Stream has overflowed the tennis courts by the Wells Parkway cul-de-sac, the Tot Lot, and pedestrian walkways and bridges in the Park, causing erosion and structural damage, and potentially putting pedestrians walking through the Park at risk. **These untoward events are a direct consequence of the building that has evolved at PG Plaza over the last 25 to 30 years.**

The Town will voice strong concerns over this trend of build up at PG Plaza, with little regard shown for the **STORM WATER RUNOFF** implications of construction, and in particular, the conversion of green space to impervious surfaces. While development may be inevitable around the PG Metro station, it should not be oblivious to the impact it has on the quality of life and property values of the surrounding communities and their residents. **It is crucial that our Town develop a clear policy toward PG Metro developments and create institutional structures to monitor the success of said policy.** With that in mind, it should be remembered that UP has term limits in place that constrain the number of years a Mayor or Council Member can serve consecutively. While I strongly believe these limits should remain in place, I do not think we should neglect to install institutions that would allow the Town to carry policies forward beyond the 6 consecutive years in office our Town term limits impose. And as part of that reasoning, I would argue that we need to get the current policy changed so that citizen

notice and public comment will be allowed on all storm water management plan submissions by developers. At present, the law does not require public notice or comment; and **many storm water management plans are routinely authorized which would not have passed under public scrutiny.**

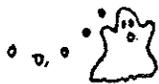
On a more mundane note, Town Clerk Amy Headley and I have opened discussions with the firm that maintains our website to develop a page where Town residents may post announcements and share information about Town events. While State laws and regulations forbid us from allowing commercial advertising on our web site, it should be possible to open up a **WEB PAGE** where neighbors can share local news and interests with each other. Please keep an eye on the NEWSLETTER for further developments in this area.

As fall is a good time for **PLANTING TREES**, you might be pondering the possibility of planting a new shade tree on your property. But first, review the list at [www.upmd.org/Documents/Tree Committee](http://www.upmd.org/Documents/Tree%20Committee). The Town offers a subsidy of up to \$300 per tree for residents who wish to plant up to three trees from our shade tree list! For more details, don't hesitate to speak to Ms. Headley or UPPWD Director Mickey Beall; either can give you more details.

And also, as **"LEAF SEASON"** arrives, PLEASE do NOT rake your leaves into the street. When it rains, they are carried into the storm water system where they can cause clogs and flooding. And finally, **when preparing your LAWNS for the winter**, don't forget to EDGE THEM. Edging prevents the flow of nutrients off your lawn onto the sidewalks and into the streets, where they eventually are carried into the storm water system and then onto our local streams. **Lawn runoff is an important non-point source of pollutants that produce algae and bacterial blooms in streams and the Bay.** In future UP NEWSLETTER articles and on web bulletins, discussions will be posted explaining the rationale behind installing rain gardens in one's yard. They

offer an easy remedy for reducing runoff and filtering pollutants while at the same time enhancing your yard's natural beauty.

"As October passes by, I hope you take care, watch your children, stay safe, and have a Happy Halloween!"



FROM THE CHIEF
MICHAEL WYNNYK

PREPAREDNESS: Many government entities, schools, and work places are discussing options for the second round of the H1N1 virus. Can you work from home for any length of time? Are you ready? We prepare for so many things in our lives yet, often, we are not ready for emergencies whether they are planned or unplanned. Preparation for every possible scenario for any type of emergency can be simplified down to the following seven areas of basic needs. Being prepared will help relieve anxiety.

1 - Have on hand at least a **3-day supply of food and drinking water** for each member of your family (and include foods that do not require cooking).

2 - Have a **portable radio or TV** (with extra batteries) for receiving important information; consider a battery back-up unit for your computer; and **change the batteries** in your smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors every 6 months. Consider the electronic devices you use regularly and **determine how you will function without** items like a microwave, coffee maker, electric can opener.

3 - **Restock** your first aid supplies, medications, blankets, flashlights, matches, candles, and other necessities.

4 - **Rehearse a family disaster plan** with the entire family and make sure everyone understands it and is in agreement with it.

5 - **Pets** are family members too; make provisions for food, water, and shelter for them as well.

6 - Check and update your **emergency contact numbers:** Pepco, WSSC, telephone company, Poison Control, doctors, vet, etc. In case **utility companies** are delayed in responding, know how to shut off your water, gas, and electricity.

7 - Will the kids be able to do without video games or TV for 72 hours? Yikes! Don't forget some **multi-age entertainment:** cards, board games, musical instruments, toys, etc.

HALLOWEEN: University Park is a popular venue for "**Trick or Treating.**" Many parents and children enjoy the safe atmosphere in UP for the tradition of walking through the neighborhood to celebrate Halloween. Our streets are safe and the community is friendly. As always, **please be careful when driving through Town** and alert for all the children out after dark. Also, keep an eye out for any mischievous behavior -- usually committed by a very few unsupervised delinquents -- and report such behavior to the UPPD immediately.

TRICK OR TREATING in University Park will be held on Saturday, **October 31st** from **6 to 8:30 PM.** Residents who wish to participate should turn on their porch lights. Youngsters and parents are asked to approach only those homes with porch lights on during that time period. The UPPD has reflective Halloween bags to distribute to UP children. The bags will be available at the UPPD station in the Town Hall or by asking any UPPD officer, who will be happy to give you one.

To keep your evening safe & fun, follow these nine **HALLOWEEN SAFETY TIPS:**

- ◆ Go trick-or treating with a grown up.
- ◆ Visit people you know
- ◆ Your costume should let you see and hear perfectly

- ◆ Make sure your costume fits so you can walk without tripping
- ◆ Keep watching & listening for cars
- ◆ Bright costumes are more easily seen
- ◆ Carry a flashlight and cell phone -- call 9-1-1 in an emergency
- ◆ Don't eat treats until you show them to your parents or a trusted adult
- ◆ Remember to say "Thank you!" for all your treats

THE UPPD E-LIST: This e-mail service gives residents crime alerts for incidents soon after they happen. To be added to the E-List, please provide the UPPD with your name, address, address, and a contact phone number. After doing so (by mail, e-mail, or telephone), you will be added to the UPPD E-List.

REGISTRY OF SEXUAL OFFENDERS: There are registered sexual offenders in our zip code. The State of Maryland has a free sexual offender notification service for any resident; call **1-866-559-8017** to be put on the call list or go online at the following website: <http://www.dpscs.state.md.us/onlineservs/sor/>.

UPPD, 6724 Baltimore Ave., UP, 20782 (301-277-0050 or cell: 240-375-1077; or call the P.G. County Dispatch: 301-333-4000 and ask for a UP officer to respond). For Chief Mike Wynnyk, contact upchief@upmd.org or 301-277-0051. **ALL EMERGENCIES: dial 911.**

CRIME STATISTICS (Aug 1st to Aug 31st)

<u>DATE</u>	<u>CRIME</u>	<u>BLOCK/STREET</u>
Aug 7th	DUI Arrest	E-W & Adelphi
Aug 9th	Theft from Auto	4400 Underwd
Aug 16th	DUI Arrest	6800 Adelphi
Aug 16th	B & E	6800 40th Ave
Aug 17th	B & E	6400 Q.C.Road
Aug 29th	Arrest Made	6700 41st Ave
Aug 30th	DUI Arrest	4400 E-W Hwy

DUI Arrest (At 9:30 PM): The UPPD responded to a call for a Hit & Run accident at that location. UPPD Officer Earley used vehicle

tag information to locate the driver of the vehicle that had left the scene and placed him under arrest. Mr. Gueerra Manjivar, an adult male from Hyattsville, was charged with Leaving the Scene of an Accident and Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol. **Case Closed.**

Theft from Auto (Between midnight & 9:30 AM): Suspect/s broke the rear passenger side window of a 2006 Toyota Corolla and stole a GPS unit and other assorted items. No suspect/suspects have been located. The investigation is ongoing.

DUI Arrest (At 2:30 AM): UPPD Officer Swann observed a 1983 Volvo without its headlights turned on proceeding northbound. Upon stopping the vehicle, it was determined that Mr. Ibrahim Mballo, an adult male from Beltsville, was Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol and the subject was placed under arrest. **Case Closed.**

Breaking & Entering (At 6:10 AM): An adult male entered a home **through an open window**. The resident advised that he heard loud noises coming from the den area and found the subject standing in the corner speaking incoherently. The subject appeared to be intoxicated and possibly had been assaulted. UPPD & PGPD responded, and Mr. Edvilado Flores from Hyattsville was placed under arrest. He was transported to Washington Adventist Hospital for psychological evaluation and later charged with Breaking & Entering. No property was taken. **Case closed with arrest.**

Breaking & Entering (Between 6-6:30 PM): The homeowner arrived home from shopping and found the rear door open and that a small window in the door had been broken. UPPD & PGPD responded to the scene, searched the house for any suspects with a K-9 dog, and searched the area. It was determined that three I-Pod music players had been stolen. The UPPD dusted the scene for fingerprints, searched the area for suspect/s and witnesses, and notified local jurisdictions of the incident. The investigation is ongoing.

Arrest Made (At 7:30 PM): An adult male violated the terms of an ex parte order and was placed under arrest by the UPPD. **Case Closed.**

DUI Arrest (At 3:30 AM): UPPD Sgt. Enig responded to assist a PGPD officer. A 2005 Chevrolet Van had struck the curb along East-West Highway and had stopped. Further investigation revealed that the driver, Mr. Paulino Fuentes, an adult male from Takoma Park, was Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol. The subject was placed under arrest. **Case Closed.**

Anyone with information concerning these or any crimes committed in University Park should contact the UPPD immediately; all information will be kept strictly confidential.

❖ **PLEASE:** Remember to keep all your serial numbers and to ID all your valuable property.

FROM THE UPPWD DIRECTOR

MICHAEL BEALL

❖ **OCTOBER BEGINS "LEAF SEASON"!**
Please make note of the following information:

1 - The University Park Public Works Department (PWD) crews will begin curbside leaf collection cycles on **October 19th**, the next Monday after Columbus Day. The season will continue through Friday, January 8, 2010.

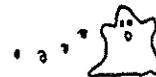
2 - The leaf-collection **SCHEDULE** has been explained in a full-page notice in this NEWSLETTER and is posted on the calendar page of the Town website. (You may want to monitor the schedule for updates and adjustments.) **No signs will be posted on streets.** Collections repeat the same circuit and should recur every 2-3 weeks during the season.

3 - Residents are asked to rake leaves ONLY UP TO THE CURB. Please **DO NOT** rake leaf piles into the street. Not only does this inhibit storm drainage and snow removal, but

it also poses hazards for vehicular and pedestrian traffic, interferes with on-street parking, and creates problems for Town PWD crews when they collect your trash and recycling. Also, the Town asks that you **DO NOT** let leaves lie along the curb for an extended period of time; bag them for a Monday Yard Waste collection. A great effort will be made to provide all residents with multiple opportunities for curb-side leaf collections.

4 - **Before and after "leaf season"** (October 19th to January 8th), **PWD crews only will collect leaves that are bagged.** In addition, any leaves you would like collected before or "just" after the crews were on your street, must be bagged and put out for the regular Yard Waste Collection on Monday. If you have any questions about the upcoming "Leaf Season," please contact Mickey Beall (301-927-4262 x200 or mbeall@upmd.org).

❖ Another ***FREE* E-CYCLING DAY** has been planned for University Park residents on Saturday, **November 7th** from 9 AM until 1 PM. As before, the collection site will be in the UPES parking circle. **NEW services** will be offered at this E-Day collection -- **tire disposal** and **paper shredding!** For all the important details, please check the full-page notice in this NEWSLETTER or the information posted on the Town website under UPPWD.



ITEMS TO NOTE

➤❖ **BATTERY RECYCLING UPDATE:** The U.S. Department of Transportation recently has established new regulations for the handling, shipping, and transportation of dry cell batteries. First, we will **recycle ONLY dry cell batteries weighing less than two (2) pounds.**

Also, battery recyclers now need to **tape the positive (+) end of all batteries with a criss-cross of tape.** Although a bit of extra effort may be required, by keeping a roll of electrical tape and small scissors near one's collection receptacle, it should not be too

much of a hassle securing the (+) end to assure the battery an uneventful journey to the recycling plant.

This action was brought about because, in the last ten years, over 800 documented cases of "battery incidents" occurred during the transportation of used dry cell batteries -- including batteries leaking, breaking, and even catching on fire (usually due to improper packaging or lack of insulation) -- and just a criss-cross of tape provides enough insulation!

➤ ❖ **LEAF SEASON CURBSIDE PICK-UP** begins on **October 19th**. See the "From the UPPWD Director" article and the full-page notice in this October NEWSLETTER issue.

➤ ❖ PLEASE note that the Town will be sponsoring another **E-CYCLING DAY** for UP residents; your driver's license may be used for proof of residency. Mark your calendar for **November 7th**, 9 AM to 1 PM. All the details are on the full-page notice in this issue.

❖ **IT'S THE LAW:** All dogs and cats must be "on a leash" when away from their owner's property. Also, all dog walkers (kids to seniors) are required to bag their pup's droppings. Bags should be disposed in the pet owners' trash receptacles.

❖ **PERMIT PROCEDURE REMINDER:** It is standard operating procedure for all UP residents planning to initiate **ANY construction projects** on their property to check first with the Town Hall to determine whether a Town permit is necessary. And remember; without exception, **Town building permit applications and stamped County plans MUST be received in the Town Hall no later than 10 days before a Council meeting. This allows time for your Ward CM to inspect the project.**

❖ **UP LANDLORDS:** A rental license must be obtained by anyone intending to rent or lease a residence in University Park. All owners who reside in their home and rent to no more than one other person are exempt

from the requirement. Rental licenses cost \$250 per year and provide a yearly inspection program for all licensed UP rental property. For questions about the license or law, please call the Town Office (301-927-4262).

❖ **HELP STOP CRIME:** Blue and white "UP" car sticker/s are **FREE** at the Town Hall. Please adhere to the driver's side of either your car's back bumper or low on the back window. The stickers enable **UPPD officers and residents to recognize UP vehicles immediately**. Town Hall hours are 9-5, M-F.

❖ **TOWN HOT-LINES:** For Town Field status updates: **301-927-4262-x-600**. For general Town Bus info: **301-927-4262-x-601**.

❖ **YARD WASTE** is collected each Monday in UP. Since yard waste is composted rather than taken to the landfill, it is important to **keep it free of trash, rocks, and other debris** that might damage the machinery. And **NOTE: bamboo and vines (including ivy) are considered trash**. Please bag and include with your Tuesday/Friday trash collections. To keep our Town looking beautiful, put yard waste out **only** the evening before collection.

❖ **BULK TRASH:** Visit www.upmd.org and click on "Town Info" and "Contact Us" to arrange for your Tuesday or Friday pick-up. Please wait to put items at the curb until your designated day. **NOTE:** A \$20 fee is assessed on each item that contains Freon, i.e. refrigerators, air conditioners, freezers...

❖ **BLUE RECYCLING TOTE (Thursdays):**

The bright blue wheeled tote for single-stream recycling is for collecting: ❖ **MIXED PAPER:** [Telephone books, Magazines, Boxes, Rinsed aseptic milk/juice cartons, Envelopes, Newspapers, etc.]; ❖ **SOME METAL:** [Aerosol cans, Aluminum foil, and Food & beverage containers of aluminum-bimetal-ferrous & iron-steel]; ❖ **MANY PLASTICS:** [Grocery bags, bubble wrap, shrink wrap & stretch film (all collected into one "bag ball")], Plastic glasses, cups, & tableware, Wide-mouth containers &

narrow-neck containers #1-7, Flower pots, and Rx containers]; ❖ ALL GLASS [except: mirrors, light bulbs, broken glass, and windowpanes]; and ❖ ALL CLOTHES HANGERS.

Please have your blue tote ready for collection each Thursday at 7 AM in the same manner and place as your green trash tote. **We DO NOT RECYCLE:** The excepted glass listed previously ❖ Any auto parts, motor oil, or antifreeze containers ❖ Hazardous waste products ❖ Medical waste items ❖ Glass, china, or pottery tableware, & never ❖ Any (hard or soft) **STYROFOAM**.

NOTE: All food & beverage containers and other recyclables must be rinsed clean of food and grease...or not recycled.

❖ **TRASH AND RECYCLING TOTES:** Remember not to put out these items earlier than the night before your scheduled Tuesday/Friday and Thursday pick-up days. Likewise, it is each resident's responsibility to return them from the curb the same day after pick-up. Totes stored outside must be out of view from the street, at the side or back of one's home. If the most convenient place to locate your totes is a visible one, consider installing attractive wooden surrounds, barrier walls, or lattice and plants to block their view.



UP BUS SERVICE & METRO SHUTTLE

➤ **REMINDER:** There will be no UP Bus service on Columbus Day, October 12th.

Free door-to-door wheelchair-accessible bus service is available for Town senior citizens and handicapped residents who would like transportation to doctors' appointments, shopping, banking, Library or Community Center visits, club meetings, or to visit a neighbor across Town. Reserve your pick-up and return times on week days between 10 AM-1:30 PM. Small Town groups also may use the bus for occasional excursions. **NOTE:**

Please try to make bus reservations one week in advance so the driver's schedule may be arranged accordingly. Remember, destinations should be within about 5 miles of Town.

Each Tuesday at 10 AM, the Town Bus makes a trip to the Giant grocery store on East-West Highway across from the Plaza. Senior or handicapped residents interested in this **FREE door-to-door service** simply need to notify the Town Hall (301-927-4262) by Monday, the day before you wish to shop.

A UP Metro shuttle service runs on the half hour each weekday morning and afternoon from numerous stops in Town to and from the PG Plaza Metro Station. There are **seven morning runs from 6-9 AM** and **eight afternoon runs from 4:05-7:35 PM**. Get a map (showing the stops) at the Town Hall or at www.upmd.org under "Other Documents."



[Ed. NOTE: "Highlights" of the minutes from monthly UP Council Meetings and Work Sessions are not complete official records. Residents always are welcome to review the complete Council minutes after they are typed and returned to the Town Hall. Please call 301-927-4262 for more information.]

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE JULY 20th COUNCIL MEETING

Present were Mayor Tabori; Council Members (CMs) Carey, DeSaussure, Lucas, Mallino, O'Connor, and Toscano; Chief Wynnyk, Attorney Ferguson, & Director Beall.

Mayor Tabori reported that (1) the Town would consider pursuing a **Parks and Playground grant**. Four items would be covered in the application: a dog park, repair of the tennis courts, a playground for older children, and Town Stream upgrades and restoration work. The plan would be to complete the grant proposal by August 17th and submit it

by the August 24th deadline; (2) CM Lucas had received a report from Mr. Tom Stickles with **recommendations for remediating the UP Stream problems** of lack of oxygenation, level of bacteria, and level of nitrogen; (3) Town Hall was not able to submit a **tree inventory proposal** due to time pressures and difficulties with the proposal submission software; and (4) the Mayor and Director Beall would work with Engineer Sidhu to develop a long-term plan to deal with the **Town's road surfaces**, while stimulus money would fund the resurfacing of Clagett Road from College Heights Drive to Queens Chapel Road.

CM Carey reported that the 4200 block of Underwood Street was discussing sidewalks and a section of Woodberry Street needed improvements. He also was concerned about erosion from Underwood Street onto to UPES ball field, and suggested that the tennis courts by UPES be turned into a pavilion for community events.

Director Beall reported that (1) there had been progress on the **storm water culvert replacement** at Wells Parkway and Chansory Lane. He said the form work around the new pipe was in place and essentially the sluice work and drain work also had been completed. The cost of the repairs would be taken from the road maintenance budget line item for FY 2010; (2) the Town Hall and UPPWD would have the services of four **summer work interns** from the County for four weeks; and that (3) the Department of Environmental Resources would ream out the **drainage pipes at Clagett/Clagett-Pineway**.

Attorney Ferguson announced that the State of Maryland had passed on a requirement for municipalities to adopt a **debt policy** (no later than October 2009), but the State Treasurer had not issued guidelines yet. She also said the Town would not have to develop a **storm water management plan** since it usually followed the County plan.

A motion was passed unanimously to approve the **installation of a 4-foot wooden**

picket fence at 6910 40th Avenue. The meeting adjourned at 9:10 PM.



HIGHLIGHTS OF THE AUGUST 17th COUNCIL MEETING

Present were Mayor Tabori; all Council Members; and Attorney Ferguson.

The College Heights Estates Association (CHEA) is petitioning to have part of University Park be included in a CHEA Historic District. When UP received its historic designation, the UP homes in question were not old enough to be considered. Now, they happen to fall into the designation range of the CHEA proposal. The Council has requested the Mayor to prepare two letters/options to be discussed at the September 14th meeting. **The first would support the designation of College Heights Estates as a historic district assuming the district would be renamed the "University Park-College Heights Estate Historic District."** **The second letter would reject designation on the grounds that the University Park section of the College Heights Estate district no longer was sufficiently integrated with the non-University Park area to warrant calling the area a unified district.**

A motion was approved unanimously to **postpone the vote** on the approval/disapproval of the CHE Historic District until the September 14th meeting.

Two **Consent Agenda items** were approved unanimously to (1) **replace a 4-foot existing fence at 4208 Underwood Street** and (2) **replace an existing patio/walkway at 6808 40th Avenue**.

A motion was passed unanimously to approve **enclosing an existing side screened-porch at 4106 Tennyson Road** with exterior hardi-board, textured to look like wood.

A motion was approved unanimously to introduce **Legislative Resolution 09-CR-09**

(amending the Charter to allow for issuance of bonds through private sale). **Attorney Ferguson** said that since there already was a provision that allowed bidding on a bond, this ordinance provided more flexibility in placing the bond and was in line with many MD municipal practices. The Mayor explained that private placement was more attractive now because the State had narrowed the scope of public bonds to cover only infrastructure projects.

A motion to disapprove the Community Parks Grant project to include funding for a dog park and/or the replacement/upgrade of the UP Queens Chapel Road tennis courts was passed (with CM's DeSaussure, Lucas, Mallino, McPherson, O'Connor, and Toscano voting yea; and CM Carey opposed). **The Mayor** said the proposal was an OpenParks Grant which was 100% reimbursable. There was a one-in-three chance of winning the Grant as the program was very competitive. There were 20 attendees who had comments about the Grant: 9 were strongly opposed to a dog park; 6 were for the it; 2 had only neutral comments but were for it.

Those for the dog park mainly mentioned: the history behind the idea; that not all residents needed to be 100% users of every Town amenity; that the dog park would have more trash cans, which could help keep rats under control if more people were using the cans for their dogs' waste; and that building the dog park would offer the opportunity to reduce Stream run-off by adding berms and improvements to the Stream area near the dog park location.

Those against the dog park mentioned: the proposed placements were too close to homes, the school, and the Stream; dog park obligations, operating costs, and insurance could be costly; since it would be open to the public, it would draw people & pets from all the surrounding areas, including the proposed apartment towers; green space would be lost; rats would be drawn to overlooked dog waste; there would be a parking impact on areas near

the dog park; residents would be deprived of inherent rights of peace & quiet with possible dog barking during daylight hours, which in the summer could be as much as 14 hours of potential barking; the smell; the esthetics of a 6-foot chain-link fenced area would be an eyesore; the areas near the proposed sites frequently flood which would wash gravel and dog excrement into the Stream; the homes bordering either site would lose their quiet atmosphere; placing the dog park in the Town Park might discourage Park use by walkers, joggers, and bicyclists; and, for 4 years, UP has been trying to fix our Stream's pollution problems; besides building and construction near streams & wetlands not being allowed, such action would worsen pollution problems.

Three former UP mayors also had cautionary comments: CM Mallino was concerned that the Town might NOT be reimbursed 100% of the expenses; Harold Freeman said since the Council had not voted on a dog park, if the Town received the Grant and decided not to use the monies, it could hurt the ability of the Town to receive future grants; John Brunner said other communities' dog parks were set well away from residential areas, and he seconded Mr. Freeman's point that whether or not to proceed with a dog park should be decided before submitting any grant applications. *[Ed.NOTE: As with all long sessions of public comments on an issue, what can be reported in the "HIGHLIGHTS" may skew what was meant in residents' comments. All readers are advised to peruse the original minutes (and the handouts that are included with the minutes from two residents); both the three-page comment from Cathy Buffington and the two-page comment from Jon McLaren (a professional who specializes in the design and management of public recreation facilities) are rife with well-composed reasons why they feel a dog park within UP should be opposed.]*

Mayor Tabori requested that the Council hold a special session on August 24th to discuss the Detailed Site Plan DSP-09006 for Belcrest Plaza. The Mayor's specific concerns

were the lack of a traffic study and the request for a zoning variance to build a 33-story apartment building. Attorney Ferguson recommended placing the builder's request for zoning exceptions on the Town website. A motion was passed unanimously to approve a special Council legislative session on August 24th at 7:30 PM. The meeting adjourned at 10:10 PM.



HIGHLIGHTS OF THE AUGUST 24th SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

Present were Mayor Tabori; all Council Members; and Mr. Jonathan Jen, Executive Vice President and General Consul for the Contee Company, Inc. (CC), Ms. Christine Selzer and Mr. Ken Dunn, representatives from an engineering firm retained by Contee Company, Inc., and Mr. Steve Gange, an architect with Lazard.

Mr. Jen gave an overview of the Belcrest Plaza (BP) 35-acre parcel. The proposed areas for this development, which includes approximately 566 residences in low-rise garden apartment buildings, are parcels A, B, and C.

Mr. Gange described the property after its development. Parcel A would be a transition block of 4-story buildings located closest to E-W Highway and the PG Plaza Metro station. To the NW, behind Penney's, would be a block of 5-story buildings. The final parcel, along Toledo Terrace, will have the most massed structures, including a 33-story building at the eastern-most edge of the property.

Total development would include 2,750 dwelling units, 40,000 square feet of retail, and 15,000 square feet of flex office/retail. Statistics indicate that 83 students would join the school system compared to the 158 students in the system from the 566 current residential units. Mr. Jen cited traffic studies that showed the current "F" status of the Toledo Terrace/Belcrest Road intersection

would improve to an "A" level of service with additional signalization. Mr. Dunn spoke about the bioretention strategies for storm water management.

Public comment followed. Thirteen people spoke and posed approximately 1 to 4 questions each. The speakers were from UP, Lewisdale, and University Hills. Their questions covered: tower height, BP's disregard for the current Transit District Overlay Zone (TDOZ), comparison of BP to economically unsuccessful UTC, noise concerns, traffic & parking concerns, storm water concerns, future housing options for current Toledo Terrace residents, the fact that BP will not be within Hyattsville's boundaries, police & fire coverage for BP, costs of new BP units, number of parking spaces BP has allowed (3,800 for residential & 3,940 for retail & amenity), BP will not be a gated community, BP not concerned with Adelphi Road or Rte. 193 traffic, BP not interested in TDOZ -- only in BP, timelines for implementation and for requesting waivers, BP is transforming affordable family housing into dense urban young professional housing, and the impact of BP on public parks and green space.

[Ed.NOTE: Again, I urge all residents to go to the source and read these minutes posted online (or get a copy of them from the Town Hall). I was left with an uncomfortable opinion of the CC that stemmed from the combination of qualified questions posed by concerned interested residents which were met with either answers without substance, pat answers not related to the questions, or often, no answer at all! Maybe CC is pushing to move forward when they're not actually prepared; something seemed amiss beyond my ken. UP residents are VERY fortunate to have such an intelligent and informed Mayor and Council who serve, without compensation, and who must deal with difficult serious issues crucial to our Town's future -- that are very demanding of their time and have deadlines that must be exhausting. And they serve only to protect the interests of our lovely Town and all our properties. We owe them!]

Mayor Tabori reported that UP was required to provide a principle statement about the BP development to M-NCPPC by August 26th, and that final referral comments were due by September 10th. Attorney Ferguson asked what was driving the speed of the response and said municipalities normally are not required to respond before the planning report is issued. Others also were concerned about the speed of the process around the project, the very accelerated timeline, and the request for commentary in the absence of basic information. Attorney Ferguson suggested the Town participate as an interested party to attend the September 4th meeting.

A motion was approved unanimously to **prepare and submit a letter to M-NCPPC** identifying University Park as an interested party to the Belcrest Plaza development proposal.

CM Carey moved to form a committee of Town citizens to advise on the Town's response to the development proposal. CM Mallino was concerned the Council would become committee heavy and offered instead to hold open working sessions to engage Town residents.

A motion to **create a council of Town residents** to advise the Town on the Belcrest Plaza development failed with 2 yea votes and 5 nay votes.

Attorney Ferguson recommended holding a public meeting to vote on the Town's position in advance of the planning board's meeting date. District Councilmember Eric Olson's aide Danielle Glaros noted that an active engagement with the developers is key getting concerns resolved. She added that the BP development was in District Councilman Will Campos' district. Mayor Tabori reminded Council that the BP development requires a nimble response; UP may not have time to form a committee to address this development.

A motion was passed unanimously to **approve the following Council Committee appointments:**

Police, Traffic, and Public Safety: CM's Lucas, McPherson (Chair), and Toscano

Policy, Rules, and Municipal Structure: CM's DeSaussure, Toscano, and Mallino (Chair)

Public Facilities and Services: CM's O' Connor, Carey, and Toscano

Trees (Council Liaison): CM Carey

Stream (Council Liaison): CM Lucas

A motion was approved unanimously to **introduce LR 09-0-10** (authorizing Council by Resolution to adopt a filing fee for vending licenses).

A motion was passed unanimously to **approve the application for the CDC/FEMA/FMS Walk/Run** to be held through University Park on Tuesday, September 15th from 12 to 1:15 PM. The meeting adjourned at 10 PM.



OBITUARY

FRANCES R. McGEHRIN, 79, a former University Park resident for 40 years, passed away peacefully at her residence in Rehoboth Beach, Delaware, on Wednesday, August 26, 2009. She was born on September 28, 1929, in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, the daughter of the late Joseph and Anna (Hinkel) Connor.

Mrs. McGehrin enjoyed shopping and gardening, but most of all she was devoted to her family. Frances and Ed McGehrin had eight children, four sons and four daughters. Yet Frances still found time to give to others. For many years she was a volunteer for both the Red Cross and St. Ann's Infant and Maternity Home in Hyattsville. She also enjoyed years of volunteering in the University Park Elementary School cafeteria. She was a long-time member of St. Mark's Church in Hyattsville and for ten

years, she taught RCIA classes there, helping adults interested in joining the Catholic faith. After she moved to Delaware, she became a member of St. Edmond's Catholic Church in Rehoboth Beach.

Frances was an avid reader of religious literature and had collected an extensive library of over 1000 books. Besides reading, another of her favorite personal pastimes was walking. For many years, Frances and her close friend, UP resident Joann Fletcher, enjoyed walking throughout University Park for their daily exercise. The walks also offered the two busy friends a time to discuss Town issues and current events, to share jokes and news of family weddings or other occasions, and to keep tabs on watching their children grow up together. Joann said, "Frances had a strong Christian faith and it reflected in everything she said and did during her lifetime!"

Frances was predeceased by her children Anne McGehrin and Tim McGehrin, and by her brother Joe Connor. Survivors include her husband of 58 years, Edward F. McGehrin of Rehoboth Beach, DE; her sons Pat McGehrin of Rehoboth Beach, DE; Mike McGehrin of Billings, MT; and Martin McGehrin of Upper Marlboro, MD; her daughters Kathy Van Dyck of Alexandria, VA; Peggy Kelly of Emmitsburg, MD; and Marianne Rhine of Mt. Airy, MD; her sisters Nancy Williams of Pennsylvania and Betty Laudette of Oklahoma; and eighteen grandchildren and one great grandson.

Friends who wish, may make a donation to the American Diabetes Association "In memory of Frances R. McGehrin," 100 West 10th Street, Suite 1002, Wilmington, Delaware 19801.



COMMUNITY WISH LIST

❖ A former UP resident and new parent is looking for a mature individual to provide care for the couple's 4-month old son for 3 or

4 days each week from 8 AM to 4:30 PM. Their preference is for care in a loving home environment, perhaps with empty nesters or retirees desiring some youthful wonder back in their lives. Since one parent was raised in UP, although they now live in Laurel, they would be glad to arrange for care in your home or theirs. If interested, please call Dan (240-603-4937) to chat and see if a mutual child care arrangement might be possible.

❖ The College Park Aviation Museum would like to fill a part-time position that involves taking children on tours through the Museum, talking to them about aviation and aircraft, and doing educational crafts or projects. The information is interesting and easy to learn. UP residents who are retired or would like a job while the kids are in school might want to consider this docent-with-pay position. No experience is necessary, just an interest in working with children in a fun and interactive Museum. UP residents are within walking and biking distance; the CP Green-line station is very near; and free parking also is available. The position averages 20-25 hours/week. For more information, please contact jane.welsh@pgparks.com or 301-864-6029.

❖ The youth in Riverdale Presbyterian Church's Service Club have chosen to concentrate on hunger awareness during October and have decided they will focus on collecting food for "Help-By-Phone," our local food pantry. They are hoping UP residents would like to help them restock the shelves to overflowing and will bring donations to RPC either during the daytime or on Sunday mornings.

On September 30th, some of you may have received a flyer from Service Club members letting you know that Club members will return to your house to pick up your donation on Wednesday, **October 6th between 5-6 PM**. All donations are appreciated! Those most needed are protein sources (beans, soups, rice, pasta, PB) and canned vegetables & fruits. Please avoid out-of-date items & glass containers. If you would like more information, please call the RPC Office (301-927-0477).

CONGRATULATIONS

To Jim Williamson and Christine Caffrey of Pineway who would like to announce the arrival of their first child, a son. **Henry Caffrey Williamson** was born on September 10, 2009 at 12:30 PM, weighing 7 lbs and 13 ounces. Henry is looking forward to meeting all his neighbors and friends-to-be at the University Park Tot Lot.



IN-TOWN TEEN WORKERS

The following young residents would like to serve you this fall and winter. Please **SAVE THIS LIST** to contact them later.

NOTE: If you are a UP teen who missed being listed in this issue, you will need to wait for the spring notice (in the April 2010 NEWS-LETTER) OR ask one of the teens listed with services similar to yours to pass your name on to any clients he or she isn't able to serve.

 ----- Please clip and save for future reference -----

LOUISE AHMANN (16) **301-864-3829**
Ward 3 - Babysitting, Mother's helper, Dog walking, Pet sitting, Snow removal, Baking to Order (cakes, cupcakes, muffins, cookies, loafs, etc.), and Math tutoring.

ABIGAIL CAHEN (16) **301-699-2224**
Ward 5 - Cat sitting (or other small animals).

ALI LEONARDI (17) **240-593-2180**
Ward 5 - Baby sitting: Red Cross-certified and experienced.

JUSTIN McPHERSON (16) **301-779-5249**
Ward 3 - Odd jobs and snow shoveling.

KYLE McPHERSON (18) **301-779-5249**
Ward 3 - Leaf raking, snow shoveling, and odd jobs.

NIK RAMIRIZ (14) **301-864-3829**
Ward 3 - Baby sitting, Pet care, Yard work, Leaf raking, Snow removal.

LOCAL FARMERS MARKETS

❖ The Riverdale Park Farmers Market is open each **Thursday** from **3-7 PM** through November 19th. It is located adjacent to the MARC Station on Queensbury Road. For the 12th year, shoppers may purchase fresh veggies, fruits, eggs, jams, cut flowers, bedding plants, herbs, baked goods, crafts, and more! Contact: Jim (301-332-6258)

❖ For their 30th year, the College Park Farmers Market in the Linson Pool parking lot will be open **Saturdays** from **7 AM to NOON** through November 21st. Shop for a wide range of fresh fruits, veggies, bakery items, plants, and...two new vendors! The contact person is Donna Almquist (301-345-2583).

❖ You can eat locally YEAR-ROUND by shopping at the **Takoma Park Farmers Market** (6900 block of Laurel Avenue). For their 27th year, this producers-only market is offering produce grown locally within a 125-mile radius. It is open **every Sunday** from **10 AM to 2 PM**. To see what is available at the 23 stalls, please visit www.takomaparkmarket.com.

❖ The **Greenbelt Farmers Market** is open each **Sunday** from **10 AM to 2 PM** through November 22nd. It is held in the Greenbelt Aquatic Center parking lot (behind the Roosevelt Center & Theatre). For a list of vendors, produce in season, or more details, visit www.greenbeltfarmersmarket.org.

❖ The Southern-MD farms' producers-only **Hyattsville Farmers Market** is open from **2-6 PM** each **Tuesday** through October 27th. It is located in the parking lot behind the Queens Chapel Town Center at the intersection of Queens Chapel Road and Hamilton Street. This market includes a Spanish-speaking vendor (incluye a vendedor de habla hispana) and offers the freshest fruits and vegetables from the same friendly vendors that sell what they grow and pick most of what they sell that very morning. Contact person is Peggy Campenella (301-627-2583).

ENTERTAINMENT AROUND TOWN

❖ The Greenbelt Arts Center (GAC) (123 Centerway, beneath the Co-op Grocery Store; www.greenbeltartscenter.org or 301-441-8770) holds performances on Fridays & Saturdays at 8 PM and on Sundays at 2 PM.

Don't forget to save a date to see William Inge's "**Bus Stop**," being produced in a 50's setting by UP resident **Malca Giblin** now through October 17th. Malca has put together a talented cast with some seasoned community theater veterans as well as newer faces, and says that director Randy Barth has a reputation for strong productions of classic plays! (*When snow forces a bus bound for Montana to overnight at a diner in Kansas, we meet an uncouth young cowboy, his older buddy, and a young woman who is trying to get away from them. There also is a "professor" with rather shady personal and academic credentials, the diner's waitresses, the town's sheriff, and the bus driver to round out the cast in this moving and amusing drama of all-too-familiar small-town human nature.*)

❖ The UM Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center (CSPAC) is offering Guarneri's last Open Rehearsal, piano and band concerts, and a "Take Five Tuesday" -- all **FREE!**, plus James Joyce's play, "The Dead." For more information, reservations, or for a copy of the exciting new 2009-2010 catalog, please contact www.claricesmithcenter.umd.edu or 301-405-2787.

♦ "Final Guarneri String Quartet Open Rehearsal" on Monday, **October 5th** at 5 PM in Gildenhorn Recital Hall - Formed in 1964, and in-residence at UM since 1983, the venerable Guarneri String Quartet **will hold its final on-campus open rehearsal** before its official retirement this month. **FREE**

♦ "Reflections from the Keyboard" on Sunday, **October 11th** at 2 PM in Gildenhorn Recital Hall - Sara Daneshpour, 2007 Kapell International Piano Competition winner, plays works of Schumann, Chopin, Debussy,

Rachmaninov and Scriabin. In addition, Donald Manildi, Curator of the International Piano Archives at UM, will present highlights from its collections. **FREE BUT TICKETED**

♦ James Joyce's "The Dead" on **October 16th & 23rd** at 8 PM; **21st-22nd** at 7:30 PM; **18th** at 2 PM & 7:30 PM; and **24th** at 2 PM & 8 PM in Kay Theatre - *This UM Theatre Department stage musical of James Joyce's short story follows Irishman Gabriel Conroy as he takes his wife to a lively holiday party hosted by his two aunts. As he hears others' tales of love, loss, change, and longing, he meditates on what it means to be an Irishman and a human.* At the play's center is an internal journey described as the "rich evocation of a single consciousness." (*NOTE: A post-performance Talk Back will be held on October 22nd.*)

♦ Take Five's "emma's revolution" on **Tuesday, October 20th** at 5:30 PM in Gildenhorn Recital Hall - This UM Peace Event, with its dramatic arrangements of elegant, intelligent social commentary wrapped in achingly beautiful melodies and harmonies, has brought truth, hope, and a dash of healthy irreverence to concerts and peace & justice events across the US. *NOTE: Each "Take Five Tuesday" is part of an interactive and informal series offering an opportunity to explore a wide range of performing arts.* **FREE**

♦ "Big Band Pre-Halloween Scream" on **Monday, October 26th** at 7:30 PM in Dekelboum Concert Hall - Chris Vadala conducts a bewitching night of jazz featuring all three of the School of Music's spirited big bands. Winds will howl, brass will wail, things will go bump in the night; dare you to attend! **FREE**

❖ The Publick Playhouse in Cheverly (5445 Landover Road 301-277-1710/TTY 301-277-0312) is offering a Senior movie and two childrens' musicals. The kids' "Movie+" has been dropped this season.

♦ On **Tuesday, October 13th** at 11 AM, the Platinum Senior Movie will be "**Mamma**

Mia" (PG-13): *(A big-screen version of the stage musical featuring the songs of ABBA. Donna is the mother of Sophie, who's on a quest to discover the identity of her father on the eve of her wedding. Donna owns a small hotel on an idyllic Greek island and when three men from her past arrive unexpectedly -- let the memories begin!)* This year, tickets are **FREE**, but advanced registration is required. The next Senior Movie will be November 10th.

◆ On **October 22nd-23rd** at 10:15 AM and NOON and on Saturday, **October 24th** at 11 AM, enjoy the beloved children's story "**Peter & the Wolf**." Join the duck, the bird, the cat, young Peter, and his grandfather as they try to outsmart a wily wolf. Childsplay presents this charming musical set to both contemporary and classical music and recommended for all ages. (\$6)

◆ On **October 27th-28th** at 10:15 AM and NOON, come have an unforgettable romp through Dr. Suess's best-loved stories. Theatreworks USA is presenting "**Suessical**" with The Cat in the Hat as the host and the emcee and the all-around mischief-maker! A special musical recommended for grades Pre-K-4. (\$6)

❖ On Sunday, **October 25th** at 4 PM, **Music at Riverdale** will present the "**Cara Fleck Harp Ensemble**" in concert. Led by Harpist Cara Fleck, the group includes Katrina Smith (Flute), Cassandra Stevenson (Viola), and Courtney Ruckman (Soprano). The program will include a classical section of music for harp, solo, and with instruments, as well as a question-and-answer period concerning the concert harp, it's history, and how it works. A second section will present the works of Gershwin, played on harp, and sung with harp & flute accompaniment. A freewill offering will be collected, and a reception after the concert at Riverdale Presbyterian Church (6513 Queens Chapel Road; 301-927-0477) will give the audience a chance to meet the musicians.

SOARING INTO OCTOBER

The College Park Aviation Museum (1985 Corporal Frank Scott Drive, CP, 301-864-6029) will offer five films, an Open House, a workshop, a lecture, and **Halloween Flight Night!** Museum hours are daily, 10 AM-5 PM; all children must be accompanied by an adult. For more information, please contact www.collegeparkaviationmuseum.com, 301-864-6029, or TTY 301-864-4765.

❖ At 1:00 PM each Friday through December 2009, in honor of the Airport's 100th anniversary year, the new film, "**College Park Airport: The Early Years**," is being shown FREE with Museum admission (FWMA).

❖ On each **First Friday (October 2nd)**, the Museum will be open until 9 PM. (See the Museum as you've never seen it before!)

❖ During October, **Hollywood Flyers** will merge with the "**Get It Wright!**" film series so you may enjoy an afternoon at the movies EACH Sunday! The shows begin at 1 PM and include lemonade and popcorn! (FWMA)

◆ On **October 4th**, see "**The Wright Stuff**": *Brothers Wilbur and Orville Wright build a flying machine that makes its first flight in Kitty Hawk, North Carolina in 1903, and changes transportation forever.*

◆ On **October 11th**, it's "**Kitty Hawk: The Wright Brothers' Journey of Invention**." *Follow the gripping tale of hardship, perseverance, and true genius, an epic and historic journey of discovery that culminated in the 1st successful manned flight. Neil Armstrong and John Glenn provide Orville & Wilbur's voices.*

◆ On **October 18th**, it's "**Technology of Kitty Hawk**." *Their astonishing 12-second flight marked the beginning of a remarkable journey of triumph for two young bicycle mechanics from Ohio; see the story of two extraordinary men whose superior intellect & critical forethought changed the world forever.*

♦ **October 25th**, it's "**Wright Brothers' Flying Machine.**" *Full of fascinating historical footage, this wide-eyed film is a spiffy story of "American know-how and gumption."*

The November 8th Hollywood Flyers' presentation will be "Flying Leathernecks."

❖ **Restoration Shop Open House** - On Saturday, **October 17th** from 1-4 PM, take a short walk to the Restoration Facility to see the process of creating and restoring museum quality exhibits and aircraft. Staff will be on hand to answer questions. FWMA

❖ **Follow the Leader: Birds & Airplanes** - The Wright Brothers were inspired by birds and now their invention is helping birds. On Saturday, **October 24th** at 2 PM, join John French, from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, who will discuss the whooping crane restoration program, which uses ultra light aircraft to guide birds on their migrations. This program is presented in association with the Anacostia Trails Heritage Area (ATHA). FWMA

❖ **Wilbur's Workshop** - On the last Tuesday of each month at 3 PM (**October 27th**), visitors are invited to learn about the work and craftsmanship that went into making early aircraft by watching a rib-making demonstration in Wilbur's Hangar. After a 1909 Wright wing rib is constructed, one lucky attendee will win a drawing for the rib and get to take it home. (FWMA)

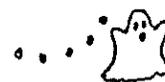
❖ **Flight Night is Fright Night!** - On Saturday, **October 31st** from 7-9 PM, wear a costume and join in the **Halloween** fun of CPAM's annual Flight Night. Arts & crafts, spooky fun, and hayrides are a happy alternative for kids and families. Tickets are \$4 each.



FALL LACROSSE CLINICS

The Prince George's Lacrosse Club is sponsoring two clinics for new and returning

players (boys ages 6-14) at 4 PM on: Saturday, **October 3rd** (at Eleanor Roosevelt High School) and Sunday, **October 11th** (at the University Park Town Field). New players should arrive wearing cleats; sticks will be available to borrow. Returning players should wear cleats and bring their sticks, gloves, and helmets; there will be skill drills and demonstrations. Information will be available about the 2010 season (that runs from late February to May), winter indoor Friday night clinics, and registration. Attend the clinics and **find out about the fastest sport on two feet!** For more details, visit www.pglacrosse.com.

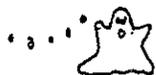


CLUBS AND CLASSES TO NOTE

❖ Riverdale Presbyterian Church again will offer Wednesday afternoon programs during the school year for children in grades 1st-12th. **After School Club (ASC)**, for 1st-5th graders, meets from 2-3 PM; groups of mixed-age of children participate in games, field trips, crafts, music, and Bible study. **Middlers**, for 6th graders, meets from 3-4 PM and is an extension of ASC. **Service Club**, for youth in grades 7th-12th, meets from 5-6 PM. This group works together doing projects for RPC, the UP neighborhood, and the wider community. All groups are open to all area children. For information on joining, call 301-927-0477.

❖ The University Park Church of the Brethren (corner of Tuckerman Street and Route 1) sponsors a **FREE Saturday-morning Tai Chi class**. Janet Thomas teaches the class at 8 AM; usually, class is held indoors, but occasionally they may be outside. All ages and levels are welcome, although the class does have an introductory emphasis. The garb is just comfortable non-restrictive clothing. The possibility of an evening class (for those with some experience) is being explored. This class would have a \$15 fee for an hour-long session; firm details will be announced in a future NEWSLETTER. For more information, please call the Church Office (301-864-4328).

❖ Also at University Park Church of the Brethren, Robin Richmond, an experienced and registered yoga teacher for 25 years, is now teaching a **Yoga class** there on Thursdays from 7-8:30 PM. For more information, please call Robin (301-209-0094).



OCTOBER EVENTS AT RIVERSDALE

Guided tours of the lovely early-Federal **Riversdale House Museum** (4811 Riverdale Road, RP) are available on the quarter hour, Fridays and Sundays from 12:15 to 3:15 PM; group tours are available by appointment. No charge for Gift Shop visits during tour hours. Open-hearth cooking demonstrations are held each Sunday. For more information please call 301-864-0420/TTY 301-699-2544. Sign up for classes and activities at www.pgparcs.com or 301-583-BOOK (w/touch-tone phone). *All fees listed are for P.G. County residents.

❖ **Riverdale Park Day** will be held on the grounds of the Riversdale House Museum on Saturday, **October 3rd** from NOON to 5 PM. The public is invited to enjoy fun, food, music, and contests for young and old. Guided tours will be available for the regular nominal entrance fee.

◆ Those who do tour the House Museum this day will be treated to the **Riversdale Kitchen Guild's** October Seasonal Selections program, "**From Field to Forest.**" Each month, the Guild focuses on a different topic. Holidays, the schedule of seasonal fresh produce, and/or the traditional cycles of early 19th-century farm life provide the inspiration for each month's theme. The programs are part of the regular Museum tour fee. The Guild will demonstrate open hearth cooking of native game for the "Field to Forest" program.

◆ To commemorate Henri Stier's love of bulb flowers, the Riversdale Historical Society holds "**Mr. Stier's Annual Bulb Sale**" during Riverdale Park Day. (*In 1803, Henri Stier, the Flemish builder of Riversdale and a bulb fanci-*

er, announced he was leaving the Country, and needed to sell "a GREAT quantity of FLOWERS, collected with great care, knowledge, and choice.") Why not stop and check out Mr. Stier's best quality tulip, crocus, and daffodil bulbs to enhance your fall planting.

◆ RHM will be presenting a ghastly **Grotesque Evening** on Friday, **October 23rd** at 7:30 PM. Attend, and you will enjoy the headiness of macabre tales, funereal refreshments, and unseen happenings as you dare to enjoy a horrifically-good staged reading of Edgar Allen Poe's classic short story, "**The Cask of Amontillado.**" In November 1846, the story first was printed in *Godey's Lady's Book*, a monthly Philadelphia magazine that published poems and stories. However... please do try NOT to be chilled to the bone as the telling of this tale nears to its end. *The story is a macabre tale of two men, both upperclass men mindful of their positions in society. One of them; seemingly distraught over past wrongs done, strives to avenge his house by committing one brutal act. His prey however, does not know his fate until... we DON'T want to spoil the ending.* (The program will be presented only to adults ages 21 and older.) After the performance, guests will be invited to meet the actor/s while enjoying an assortment of light fare appropriate for the evening. **Because the total capacity is limited, advance registration and payment (\$25) are required by October 19th;** and unfortunately, walk-ins can not be accommodated.

❖ Another Hands-On-History Program has been planned for **Friday, October 30th** from 10 AM to 3 PM. "**Edgar Allan Poe's Apprentice**" is the 3rd of the continuing Apprentice Series being offered when schools are closed for professional days. Children ages 10-14 may spend the day engaged in crafts and other activities inspired by the poet Edgar Allan Poe, born 200 years ago. Participants will bring their own bag lunches. The fee is \$15 and **advanced registration is required by October 23rd.**

GREENBELT'S ARTY OCTOBER

❖ The next **ARTFUL AFTERNOON** will be from 1-5 PM on Sunday, **October 4th** with a theme of Eastern Europe Music and Arts. From 1-3 PM, come to a **FREE** workshop in the Community Center for all ages and learn to make traditional belts, headdresses, and "martenitsas" (Bulgarian good luck symbols). Visit the **artists' studios** in the Community Center from 1-4 PM, and tour Greenbelt's **Historic House Museum** from 1-5 PM. At 3 PM, enjoy hearing the **Orfeia Ensemble** (www.orfeia.org) present a concert of traditional Balkan and Bulgarian music, both a cappella and accompanied by accordion. As an added treat, audience members of all ages will be invited to dance and sing with them!

❖ This year, Greenbelt will host its 5th annual **UTOPIA FILM FESTIVAL (UFF)**. After a rousing Opening Night Reception on **October 19th**, the selected features, documentaries, animations, music videos, and experimental genres (of all types and lengths) will be shown in **multiple viewings** (Friday, 7-11 PM; Saturday, 12 PM-12AM; and Sunday, 12-7 PM) at **six local venues**, on **October 23rd-25th**: the Greenbelt Municipal Building, the P&G Old Greenbelt Theatre, the Greenbelt Branch Library, the Greenbelt Arts Center, the New Deal Cafe, and the Academy Stadium Theaters at Beltway Plaza. Each viewing will include one or more films. Their themes will be diverse, from utopian (about community, social/economic conditions, environment) to family-friendly to seasonal.

The producers may be any age and the UFF's finalists were selected from hundreds of submissions; in 2009, 38 films were chosen for screening at the Festival. Each of the many viewing programs (of one or more films) costs \$5 at the venue door so you may plan, pick, and choose which films you want to see. Or, a Festival Pass (\$25) may be purchased at the Old Greenbelt Theatre & Greenbelt Arts Center on Saturday which allows entry to all venues and programs throughout the weekend. Please

visit www.utopiafilmfestival.org/index.shtml for the complete Festival information.



UPWC → A NEW YEAR OF SERVICE!

The **University Park Woman's Club (UPWC)** is opening its 2009-2010 Club year on Monday, **October 5th** at Riverdale Presbyterian Church. After a short social time at 11:30 AM, the October meeting will feature a salad buffet luncheon at 12 NOON, followed by a brief Club meeting before the 1 PM program. At the program, you will meet Vinnie Bevivino who will speak on "**Becoming a Part of the Good Food Movement**"; and...you already may have met him if you frequent the Riverdale Park Farmers Market! Vinnie is a UM graduate, a member of the UM's Engaged University (EU), and Manager of EU's Master Peace Community Farm (MPCF)...which sells the majority of its harvest at the Market each Thursday from 3-7 PM.

EU fuses theory and action to link all of UMCP's assets to the surrounding communities -- sort of cross-pollinating the campus with the community! Located in Riverdale Heights, the **MPCF is a ½-acre farm divided into four sections**: a youth garden (planted and maintained for and by the William Wirt Middle School Garden Club); a demonstration urban farm (that grows a lot of food in a small space using some amazing urban farming techniques); a 22-plot community garden; and a communal area. (*As a special treat, potted windowsill herbs and sprouting jars will be given out at the meeting.*)

The UPWC plans splendid monthly programs which cover a wide range of subjects directly related to the six departments around which all General Federation of Women's Clubs' groups base their Club's yearly activities: Conservation, Education, Public Affairs, Home Life, Art, and International Affairs. For 69 years, the UPWC also has been making contributions of time and money to our Town and to UP's three local

public schools: **UP Elementary School, Hyattsville Middle School, and Northwestern High School.** At UPES, Club members also volunteer in the media center and sponsor an ongoing tutoring program; and each year, the Club sponsors two college scholarships, one for a UP graduating senior and one for a Northwestern High School graduating senior.

Now, another year of meaningful and fun programs and events is just beginning! Watch for: another **flu clinic** in November (see the "**OUCH**" article in this issue), the annual **Candlelight House Tour** (December 11th), the **Holiday Home Decorating Contest** (December 13th), the **Spring Garden Tour** (May 2nd, 2010), and of course, the many special monthly programs. Joining the UPWC is a great way to make new friends, learn new skills, and do service for the community. The Club extends a warm welcome for all those interested or curious to be a guest for lunch and the "down-to-Earth" program. For more questions or information, please call the Club President, Helen Andreno (301-572-5761).



PG PLAZA COMMUNITY CENTER

During October, the **Prince George's Plaza Community Center** (6600 Adelphi Road, by the Library, 301-864-1611/TTY 301-445-4512) has activities for all ages, including a teen **Boo-Fest**. ID cards are FREE for ages 17 & younger and seniors 60 & older. Plan now for some close-to-home fun with your friends.

❖ **Pee Wee Play Time** is for preschoolers ages 5 and younger. **Every Monday during the school year**, from 9 to 11 AM, toddlers are invited to run, jump, wiggle, & giggle as they try new activities in the gym; **FREE** with a valid Community Center pass. Children must be supervised by their accompanying adult while at the Center.

❖ A **FREE Open House** for pre-teens (ages 10-12) and teens (ages 13-17) will be held on Friday, **October 9th** from 7-10 PM.

Bring your family and friends to check out the Center's amenities, meet the staff, and see where you can enjoy classes, sports, dances, and even open gym time. Details will be available for upcoming trips, activities, and health & wellness programs. Games, prizes, movies, & refreshments will be available, and you can get your **FREE M-NCPPC ID card**.

October's **FREE** activities planned for pre-teens and teens include **Free-style Friday**, **fuze bead art**, a **sports sampler**, **board game night**, a **chess tournament**, a **fitness night**, and a **Flag Football tournament** (bring your own squad!). There will be a **bowling trip*** (\$12) on **October 24th** and a **Halloween party** for ages 12-17 (\$3) on **October 31st**. (*Turn in permission slips and fees a week in advance.)

❖ On Wednesday, **October 28th** from 5-7 PM, join the Center's artist to create or improve your basic costume. Parents may participate with kids; all craft trims provided. Space is limited; reserve a spot by **Oct 21st**.

❖ On Friday, **October 31st** from 7 PM to 10 PM, ages 12-17 are invited to a **Halloween Dec-Fest**. Tickets are \$3 with your ID card. Wear your spookiest or goofiest costume and have fun dancing in the gym. There will be prizes, contests, a live DJ and food! Turn in permission and \$3 by **Oct 24th**.



BOOKS AND AUTHORS

"A good book has no ending."

R. D. Cumming

❖ The **Hyattsville Branch Library** (301-985-4690) offers a monthly morning book discussion group and bi-monthly chess club.

♦ For all ages/levels, the **Chess Club** will meet at 7 PM on Thursdays, **October 8th and 22nd**, with instructor Ted Fagan.

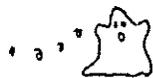
♦ The **Morning Book Discussion Group** meets at 10:30 AM on the 3rd Wednesday. On **October 21st**, they will discuss "**Thurgood**

Marshall" by Juan Williams. (A "Washington Post" correspondent and TV commentator has produced an illuminating look at a true giant of 20th-century American politics.) On November 18th, they'll discuss Charles Johnson's *Middle Passage*; new members always are welcome.

❖ **The After Eight Book Club**, a group open to all interested men, women, and couples, will continue its 2009-2010 Club year on **October 20th** at 8:00 PM to discuss "The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society War" by Mary Ann Shaffer. If you have questions or would like to join this month's discussion, please call Laura Donnelly (301-927-6550). For November 17th, their selection will be *The Magician's Assistant* by Ann Patchett.



❖ **The College Park Arts Exchange Book Club** (info@cpae.org or 301-927-3013) meets monthly on Fridays from 7:30-9 PM (except in August) at the College Park Old Parish House (corner of Knox and Dartmouth) to discuss their ongoing theme of non-fiction works by women authors. Their selection for **October 16th** is Helene Cooper's "The House at Sugar Beach: In Search of a Lost African Childhood," the memoir of a journalist who fled her home country of Liberia when civil war erupted in 1980 and returned 23 years later. On November 20th, they will discuss *Ida: A Sword Among Lions: Ida B. Wells and the Campaign Against Lynching* by Paula J. Giddings.



OCTOBER FUN AT CPAE

All College Park Arts Exchange (CPAE) events are **FREE** and are held at the College Park Old Parish House (corner of Knox Road and Dartmouth Avenue) unless otherwise noted. For more information, to register, or to remit fees for special activities, please contact 301-927-3013 or info@cpae.org; or, you may visit www.cpae.org for more information.

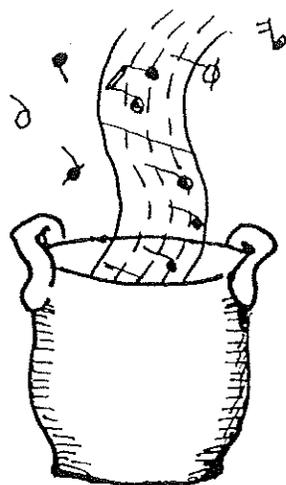
❖ **Lakeland: African Americans in College Park** - On Friday, **October 9th** at 7:30 PM, the public is invited to come and celebrate this new book from Arcadia Publishing Press with a slide show and discussion. It will be a wonderful opportunity for long-time neighbors to share their memories of Lakeland and College Park. CPAE's "Cultural Connections" series offers free lectures and performances focused on cultural exploration of music, art, literature, and history.

❖ On Sunday, **October 11th** at 3 PM, come sit by "The Talking Stone" and hear some Native American tales. Storyteller Carolyn Koerber will use puppets to illuminate her stories from Paiute, Iroquois, and Hopi traditions. This is one of CPAE's high-quality free events ideal for ages 3 and older; all children must be accompanied by an adult. **Registration is recommended** for this popular event as space is limited.

❖ **Children's Arts Drop-in** - This fun and creative arts workshop is a regular monthly event for children ages 3-8 and their parents. On Sunday, **October 25th** from 2-4 PM, arts specialist Aaron Springer will help kids make creative masks and headdresses for some unique costuming fun!

❖ **A Halloween Thing** will be held at the Youth and Family Services Center (4912 Nantucket, near the corner of Edgewood Road and Rhode Island Avenue) on Saturday, **October 31st** from 10 AM to NOON. CPAE will sponsor a free crafts activity ideal for children of all ages at this fun event.

❖ "Felt a Hat" on Saturday, **November 14th** from 10 AM to 3:30 PM (bring lunch). Working with local fiber artist Bonnie Korr, participants will create a beautiful, colorful, handmade hat. Find new friends and art skills at CPAE's hands-on arts workshops for teens and adults. **Pre-registration requested by October 30th**; send your contact info and a check for \$15 to CPAE, PO Box 784, College Park, MD 20741.



IT'S RED HOT CHILI & BLUES TIME

The University Park Civic Association's 7th annual CHILI COOK-OFF & BLUES NIGHT will take place at the UPES Gazebo on Saturday, **October 10th** from 5-8 PM. Come and taste the best chili in

Town while you listen to the magic music of "Pork Chop and the Top Dogs" with UP's own harmonica king, Roger Edsall of Oakridge Drive and his court of musicians sharing their own brand of blues. An added treat again this year will be the return of **Mary Shaver** and her fabulous vocals. Roger has played the blues harmonica professionally for 19 years, sharing the stage with local and national blues artists and having appeared on the *Today Show* and the *Fox Morning News*.



Residents who do not wish to bring a pot of chili (15-20 servings) to enter in the "cook-off" may bring a side dish or dessert (also for 15-20) instead. The three "Cook-off" categories are: 5-Alarm (spicy), Vegetarian, and Mild. All cooks must register their contest entry with a (preferably catchy or creative) name and in a category. The Civic Association will supply all the chili fixings: ♦ bowls ♦ plates ♦ spoons ♦ napkins ♦ crackers.

Besides ♦ 15-20 servings of chili, a side, or a dessert, guests should bring: ♦ a cooler with plenty of drinks/water for your group (there is no access to water at UPES and it is infeasible to provide it for such a large group eating chili!) ♦ chairs or a blanket to sit on while enjoying the fabulous music and food ♦ your most discriminating taste so you can vote on the best chili in each category ♦ a great attitude and a sense of humor in case you do/don't win and ♦ helping hands to volunteer with set up or clean up. **Anyone who can bring and set up tables or dining tents would be appreciated so much.**

For more information, to register your chili, or to sign up to volunteer at the Cook-off, please contact Sarah Heitkemper (301-209-1059 or sarah.heitkemper@boland.com). *[Ed.NOTE: The UPCA meets monthly in RPC at 7 PM on the last Tuesday. Anyone interested in the UPCA-sponsored events is encouraged to visit their planning meetings. The next one is on October 27th.]*



UP CHILDREN'S CLOTHING CO-OP

The 2009 Fall/Winter Sale of the University Park Children's Clothing Co-op will be held on Saturday, **October 10th** from 10 AM to 12 PM at Riverdale Presbyterian Church. You won't want to miss a great opportunity to purchase quality "pre-washed and gently worn" fall and winter clothing for children from infants to teens. Featured will be seasonal and holiday items, winter clothing, rain wear, sports equipment, books, toys, play equipment, baby/layette clothing & equipment, and maternity items. Please be aware that checks are accepted only from Town residents for amounts over \$40, and purchases must be made separately in each Sale room.

Also, the Co-op is looking for individuals who would be interested in participating in this upcoming Sale either by cashiering on Saturday morning (in exchange for shopping privileges during the member-only shopping time on Friday), or by selling their own good-quality children's items as a substitute seller. Please contact Kimberly Nugent (301-779-1149 or kimberlynugent@gmail.com) for more information about both of these opportunities.

If you would like to become a Mailing List Member for the UPCCC 2010 Spring/Summer Sale, just submit \$.50 and your name and address to any Sale cashier. Mailing List Members receive a postcard allowing them to enter the Sale prior to the general public's Sale hours.

OCTOBER CHURCH/SCHOOL EVENTS

❖ Friends Community School (FCS), a K-8 progressive Quaker school that is popular among UP families, will hold **EIGHT OPEN HOUSES** from 9:30 to 11:30 AM, on Wednesday, **October 14th** and Friday, **October 23rd**, as well as on the following dates: November 7th and 17th, December 4th, and in 2010, January 8th, 14th, and 23rd. The School is located in an almost new, "green" building adjacent to Greenbelt National Park. Its mission is to nurture young people to be life-long learners, courageous risk-takers, and joyous peacemakers. With an average class size of 16 students and a student/teacher ratio of 8 to 1, FCS is able to offer developmentally appropriate, experiential, and rigorous curricula. The core curriculum of Language Arts, math, science, and social studies is supplemented by Spanish, art, music, PE, and technology courses. Graduates move on to leading high schools area-wide. When you come to an Open House, you'll learn more, attend a student-lead tour, and meet FCS' active and diverse community. For additional information, please contact Hilary (301-441-2100 or Hilary@friendscommunityschool.org).

❖ University United Methodist Church (301-422-1400; 3621 Campus Drive, CP) will host their **FALL RUMMAGE SALE** on Friday, **October 30th** from 9 AM to 6 PM, and on **Saturday, October 31st** from 9 AM to 2 PM. Featured items include good quality clothing and shoes, linens, jewelry, furniture, dish-ware, glassware & kitchenware, books, CDS & DVDs, toys, games & puzzles, small appliances, tools, craft items, and much more. "Come early for the best selection of one-of-a-kind **Halloween** costume items. Or, if you come later, you can treat yourself to the special fill-a-bag sale from NOON until the 2 PM **witching** hour on Saturday!" For more information, visit www.uumcp.org or contact the Church office, uumc.office@verizon.net.

❖ **SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE** - St. Anselm's Abbey School will hold its annual

Open House on Sunday, November 1st from 11 AM to 3 PM at the school's 43-acre campus in NE Washington. St. Anselm's is an independent Roman Catholic day school for academically-gifted young men in grades 6-12. University Park has a strong tradition of students who have attended St. Anselm's. Several boys currently attend and an informational meeting for other potential students from UP is being planned. For more information, please visit www.saintanselms.org or contact the Admissions Office (202-269-2379 or admissions@saintanselms.org).



FINAL FREE MOVIE NIGHT

University Christian Church (301-864-1520, 6800 Adelphi Road), after three years of providing free wholesome movies -- with light snacks -- to UP residents of all ages (and others), and after arranging over a year of enjoyable game-night evenings as well, has announced that **this October's film will be the final Saturday evening for their monthly entertainment nights**. However, they add that although they no longer will offer regularly-scheduled movies and game nights, from time to time, they will be planning other events especially for community participation.

On **October 17th**, everyone is welcome to enjoy "**Journey to the Center of the Earth.**" (*On a quest to find out what happened to his missing brother, a scientist, his nephew, and their mountain guide discover a fantastic and dangerous lost world in deep in the center of the Earth. This remade 2008 version stars Brendan Fraser as the volcanologist and Josh Hutcherson as his nephew.*) As always, light snacks will be served at 7 PM and the movie will begin at 7:30 PM.

**Choose a Job you love
And you never will have to
Work a Day in your life!**

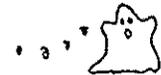
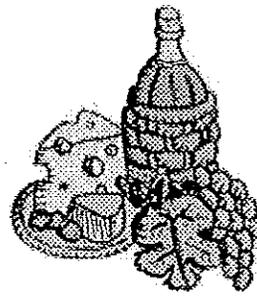
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A POT LUCK PERFECT MEETING!

Members of the **University Park Historic Preservation Association** encourage all Town residents to come and enjoy their annual opening meeting -- an old-fashioned pot luck supper at historic *Bloomfield*, the stately columned home of Mrs. Maxie Phillips. *Bloomfield*, located at 6404 Queens Chapel Road, is the ancestral home of the Deacon Family who once owned and farmed the land where University Park now stands.

The group's traditionally-scrumptious pot luck supper will be held on Tuesday, **October 20th** from 6:30-9 PM. Over dessert, guest speaker **Mayor John Tabori** will provide an update on local development projects that may affect our Town for years to come. Those planning to attend the supper meeting should **RSVP at 301-927-0857 by October 18th**. The meal is totally pot luck -- so bring either your favorite entree, side dish, or dessert to share; you can't bring too much. And, if you can put a historic spin on your choice (by recipe or name), so much the better.

Looking ahead, the November meeting will feature a field trip to the University of Maryland's Hornbake Library to tour a special exhibit of the Gordon W. Prange Collection. The Prange family were long-time University Park residents, and Dr. Prange taught at UM and worked from his home on Sheridan Street for thirty years on what finally would be consolidated into the 873-page tome, "*At Dawn We Slept: The Untold Story of Pearl Harbor*." Dr. Prange's books and research were used to create the film "*Tora! Tora! Tora!*" (an historically accurate representation of the attack). Prange had served as consultant, ensuring a level of accuracy in detail that never was achieved in any other Hollywood depiction of the attack!



"WINE & CHEESE" SILENT AUCTION

Strong communities will help build strong schools! On **October 24th** from 4 to 7 PM, the University Park Elementary School Parent Teacher Association (PTA) will host a "**WINE & CHEESE**" **SILENT AUCTION** as their fall fund raiser. Please come to the 4300 block of Woodberry Street to enjoy this ADULTS-ONLY celebration. It's a fun way to support the Town's wonderful elementary school AND contribute to UPES' many special learning programs. There still is time to **DONATE** a few **unique items** (you may no longer need) or a **useful service** (and garner a little free advertisement in the giving)! For more information or to donate an item or service, please contact Maby Palmisano (202-431-9994)/Adriana Altura (*UPES_Silent_Auction_Group@yahoo.com*).



UPCA TOWN HALLOWEEN PARTY

"Halloween... Halloween... Oh, what scary things are seen!" The annual Town Halloween Party will be held on Saturday, **October 31st** from 4-6 PM, followed by **Trick-or-Treating!** The festivities will take place at UPES (look for neighborhood signs with the exact time and location). Come and see a little mystery and magic, and enjoy some **spooky** fun, crafts, and **Halloween** games. Don't be left out! Children, teens AND ADULTS are encouraged to participate in this year's Costume Contest and Pumpkin Carving/Decorating Contest! For more information, or to offer your **spooktacular** help, please contact Jennifer Mooney (301-699-5104).

Enthusiasm moves the world!

Arthur James Balfour



A **COMMUNITY FLU-SHOT CLINIC**

will be offered by Adventist HealthCare at Riverdale Presbyterian Church on Thursday, **November 5th**, from 4 to 6:30 PM. Flu Shots at this clinic will be available to adults 18 years or older at a cost of \$27 (cash or check) per person, or free for seniors with a Medicare Part B card in hand. Similarly, pneumonia shots will be available for \$35. This opportunity is sponsored by Adventist Health Care Ministry, partnering with the University Park Community Emergency Response Team (UP-CERT), the University Park Woman's Club, and the Riverdale Presbyterian Church.

Flu shots are recommended for all ages but particularly for seniors, for those who have a chronic illness, and for people who might transmit the flu to others at high risk, such as health care workers or care givers for high-risk children. It is not expected that immunization for the H1N1/swine flu will be offered at this clinic.

(Please **NOTE**: People who are allergic to eggs or egg products, who have had a severe reaction to a flu shot in the past, who have developed Guillain-Barre Syndrome (GBS) after receiving a flu shot, or who have a moderate or severe illness with a fever should NOT get a flu shot.)



NOTICE TO RESIDENTS

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LOST PET DATABASE

To register your pet, or report a lost or found pet, please call Barbara Wilson (301-779-4139). To ensure that your pets are easily identifiable, always have them wear their tags or a microchip.



INFORMATION FOR NEW UP RESIDENTS

Contact Jenn Mooney
jtmoondock@aol.com

University Park Curbside Leaf Collection

October 19 - January 8

Residents may rake leaves up to the curb line for removal by the leaf vacuum machine beginning October 19th and continuing through January 8th. The leaf vacuum will operate during daylight hours Monday-Friday & weekends as needed.

COLLECTION SCHEDULE:

No signs will be posted.

Crews will work counter-clockwise through Town by Ward beginning in Ward 2 and ending in Ward 6 continuously in the following order:

WARD 2
WARD 1
WARD 3
WARD 5
WARD 4
WARD 7
WARD 6



It is anticipated that collection in each Ward will be on a 2-3 week cycle.

Residents may access a Ward map using the following link:
<http://www.upmd.org/docs/11-576-1251907647.pdf>

Residents and contractors are asked to use caution while raking and be sure that there are **no rocks, metal, etc.** in your leaf piles.

Note: Please do not expect crews to backtrack to collect leaves raked to the curb after they have passed your home. They will return after completing the 2-3 week cycle.

Residents who miss a collection may bag leaves for curb collection on **MONDAY**.



University Park
***FREE* RECYCLING DAY**

Saturday, November 7th
 9 AM to 1 PM

COLLECTION SITE: UP Elementary School Circle

YOU MUST BE A UNIVERSITY PARK RESIDENT TO PARTICIPATE
(Bring your Driver's License for proof of residency.)

NEW: Paper Shredding & Tire Disposal!!

All items collected will be reused, refurbished, or recycled through CDM eCycling and UP Public Works in accordance with local, state, and federal regulations. CDM is a Baltimore-based company that has been in business for more than 10 years. (Please do not leave your items in boxes or bags; workers will help you sort items into the large "Gaylord" boxes provided on-site.)

Shredding: Paper will be shredded on-site while you wait!

Acceptable Tires: Passenger vehicles and yard equipment

Acceptable Items: *(All items that have cords or use batteries)**

Computers/laptops	Printers	A/V Equipment	TV's
Scanners	Typewriters	Wire	Telephones
Monitors	Fax machines	Cables/Cords	Cell Phones
POS systems	Speakers	Hard Drives	Copiers
Stereos/Radios	Test equipment	Manuals	Microwaves
Keyboards	Software	Terminals	Batteries
Fans	Vacuums	Power tools	Lamps

Acceptable Plastics: *(All items must be clean and empty.)*

Buckets	Bins/carts	Play Equipment	Gutters
Trash Cans	Furniture	Toys	Siding

***Note: NO APPLIANCES!** *If you are unsure about an item, please contact the UPPWD Director, Mickey Beall (mbeall@upmd.org or 301-927-4262).*



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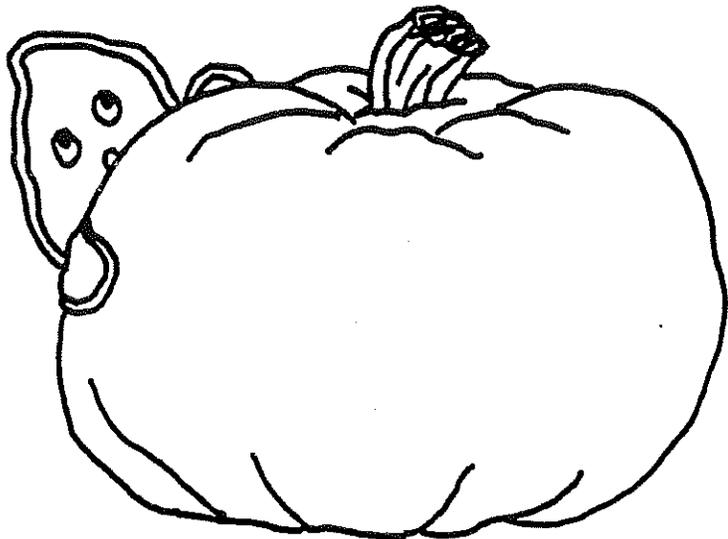
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>October is ...</p> <p>Vegetarian Lifestyle,</p> <p>4 Gribbit & The Pe Farmers Mkt 10a-2p (G&TP*FM) CPAM 1p "The Wright Stuff" Greenbelt Agfest Afternoon, 1-5p E. Europe crafts, GCC/CHM tours 3p "Ogelia Ensemble" (GAC-BS, 2 PM)</p>	<p>Breast Cancer Awareness,</p> <p>5 UPWC 11:30 PM RPC "Good Food" Lunch/Program 7:30 PM UPES COUNCIL MEETING UM, last Quarter Rhetorical, 5p YARD WASTE RECYCLING</p>	<p>& Family History Month!</p> <p>6 Hyattsville Farmers Market 2-6 PM (F*FM) TOWN TRASH COLLECTION</p>	<p>September 30 12:00 NOON Deadline for November NEWSLETTER</p> <p>7 RPC After School Club every Wednesday in school year 2-3p (1st-5th graders) 3-4p (6th graders) Service Club 5-6p (7th-12th graders)</p>	<p>World Vegetarian Day SINGLE-STREAM RECYCLING</p> <p>8 (RP*FM) HY-LL CHESS, 7 PM</p>	<p>2 GAC "Bus Stop" 8 PM (GAC-BS) CPAM is open until 9 PM!</p> <p>TOWN TRASH COLLECTION</p>	<p>3 College Park Farmers Market 7a-NOON (CP*FM) (GAC-BS, 8 PM) 8 AM, UPCB, Tai Chi, each Sat Suffok Riv Pk Day, 12-5 PM, RHM PGLC Leucose Clinic, EPHS, 4p</p>
<p>11 (G&TP*FM) (GAC-BS, 2p) CPAM 1p "Katie Hawk...Invention" UM "Piano Concert" 2 PM CPAE-OPH 3 PM "The Talking Stone" Storyteller PGLC Leucose Clinic, UP Field, 4 PM</p>	<p>12 Columnus Day (Town Office closed; no bus service)</p>	<p>13 (F*FM) PP 11 AM Platinum Senior Movie now FRBE with reservation "Mamma Mia"</p> <p>TOWN TRASH COLLECTION</p>	<p>14 FCS Open House 9:30 to 11:30 AM (FCS-OH) YARD WASTE RECYCLING</p>	<p>15 (RP*FM) SINGLE-STREAM RECYCLING</p>	<p>16 (GAC-BS, 8 PM) CPAE Book Club, 7:30-9p "House at Sugar Beach" UM, James Joyce's "The Dead" 8 PM (UM-JTTD) TOWN TRASH COLLECTION</p>	<p>17 (CP*FM) (GAC-BS, 8 PM) CPAM 1-4 PM Restoration Shop Open House UCC's Last Free Film Night 7 PM snacks - 7:30 PM show "Journey to the Center of the Earth"</p>
<p>18 (G&TP*FM) CPAM 1p "The Technology of Kivity Hawk" (UM-JTTD, 2 & 7:30 PM)</p>	<p>19 Curbside Leaf Season begins 7:30 PM UPES COUNCIL MEETING YARD WASTE RECYCLING</p>	<p>20 UPHPA 6:30-9 PM AT "BLOOMFIELD" "POT LUCK SUPPER MTG" (F*FM) UM, Toko's 5:30 PM "Emma's Revolution" UP After-8 Book Club "The Guernsey Literary and..." TOWN TRASH COLLECTION</p>	<p>21 (UM-JTTD, 7:30 PM) HY-LL Books 10:30 AM "Thurgood Marshall" RAKE NO LEAVES IN CUTTERS OR STREETS</p>	<p>22 (RP*FM) (UM-JTTD, 7:30p) PP 10:30 & NOON "Peter & the Wolf" HY-LL CHESS, 7 PM SINGLE-STREAM RECYCLING</p>	<p>23 (FCS - OH) (UM-JTTD, 8 PM) PP 10:30 & NOON "Peter & the Wolf" GB Linda Elm Festival 7-11 PM (GB-LED) RHM 7:30 PM "A Grotesque Evening" TOWN TRASH COLLECTION</p>	<p>24 (CP*FM) (UM-JTTD, 2 & 8p) PP, 11 AM "Peter & the Wolf" (GB-LED 12p-12a) CPAM 2 PM Follow the Leader: Birds & Planes UPES Wine & Cheese Auction 4-7 PM Woodberry Street, UP</p>
<p>25 (G&TP*FM) (GB-LED, NOON to 7 PM) CPAM 1p "Wright Brothers' Flying Machine" CPAE Art Drop-in Makes, 2-4p RPC "Harp Ensemble" 4 PM</p>	<p>26 UM 7:30 PM Pre-Halloween 3-Band Concert YARD WASTE RECYCLING</p>	<p>27 (Last day for H*FM) PP 10:15 & NOON "SEUSSICAL" CPAM "Wright's Workshop, 3p" UPCA MEETING RPC 7 PM TOWN TRASH COLLECTION</p>	<p>28 (RP*FM) PP 10:15 & NOON "SEUSSICAL" PGPCC 5-7 PM "Create A Costume" Workshop for Parents & Kids</p>	<p>29 (RP*FM) SINGLE-STREAM RECYCLING</p>	<p>30 UMC Rummage Sale 9a-6p & on Oct 31st from 9a-2p RHM 10 AM to 3 PM "Edgar Allan Poe's Apprentice" CPAE 7:30, 10-12, Halloween Things TOWN TRASH COLLECTION</p>	<p>31 (CP*FM) CPAM Fight Night 7-9p Halloween UP's Party, UPES, 4-6 PM UP "Trick or Treat" is 6 to 8:30 PM at lighted homes PGPCC Halloween Boo-Fest 7-10p</p>



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