

# UNIVERSITY PARK NEWSLETTER

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## TOWN NOTICES

### **Meeting: Town to Buy Riverdale Presbyterian? Thursday, October 10, 7 PM**

The Public Facilities & Services Committee will meet to discuss the acquisition of Riverdale Presbyterian Church. This meeting will be at Riverdale Presbyterian Church and is open; the public is welcome to attend.

### **Curbside Leaf Collection Begins November 4**

A tentative November schedule will be posted to the Department of Public Works calendar at <http://www.upmd.org/in> late October. Please note the schedule is tentative and subject to change without notice. We endeavor to vacuum each street as many times as possible-weather, holidays and other factors sometimes allow/cause the crews to progress faster or slower than expected. The schedule will be adjusted based on the actual progress of the collection crews. Please work with us.

### **Notice of Introduction of Ordinance 13-O-12**

On September 23, 2013, Emergency Ordinance 13-O-12 was introduced.

This ordinance would amend the FY 2014 Budget, Ordinance 13-O-4, to create an Architecture and Related Services line item and to transfer \$50,000.00 from Unreserved Funds to this line item to insure that funds are available as needed for evaluation of the Riverdale Presbyterian Church as a possible site for the Town Hall and related governmental and community services.

The meeting set for October 7, 2013 is the first meeting at which the ordinance could be adopted. For more information or a copy of the proposed ordinance, call Town Hall at 301-927-4262.

## Town Meetings & Special Dates

Town Council	October 7 & 21
Church Acquisition Meeting	October 10
Fall E-Recycling & Shredding	Oct. 12 9 AM-1 PM
Holiday	October 14

Town meetings are at 7:30 PM at University Park Elementary School. Residents are encouraged to attend. Please request interpreting services 10 days in advance. Council agendas are posted at [www.upmd.org](http://www.upmd.org) and on the Town Hall bulletin board Fridays prior to meetings.

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## FROM THE CHIEF & CRIME REPORT

Crime prevention requires constant and consistent effort to reduce opportunities. Following these tips will help brand our community as watchful:

Attention to the condition of your property is in itself a potent deterrent to criminals. Fix broken windows, pick up the litter on your block and keep your area well cared for.

Lock your doors. Use deadbolts and activate your alarm system. The component in any security system most likely to fail is the human one.

Newer windows usually have a device to keep them from being opened beyond six inches. Please use this option. First floor windows should be kept locked.

Check your exterior lights to make sure they are working and utilize motion sensor lights if available.

Get to know your neighbors and their habits to the extent that you can recognize deviations from normal behavior (and they can do the same for you).

Call the police when you observe a stranger behaving in a suspicious manner. Loitering and observing, approaching multiple residences without apparent business, knocking on a front door and walking around to the rear of a home if no one answers, or removing property from a neighbor's residence—all of these warrant a call to the police.

A cooperative neighborhood can increase everyone's collective home security with very little individual effort or time. If you see a vehicle you don't recognize driving around your neighborhood, jot down the tag number. It may end up being the link to closing a case.

If you are home during the day, look out your back window and into your neighbors' yards for anyone you do not recognize. Work in your yards and take a good look around when you are outside.

Don't let your mail build up. Leave a radio or TV on occasionally. If you leave home and see an unfamiliar vehicle on the block, backtrack and get the tag number.

Document the serial numbers of your property. This includes bicycles. If you have a newer laptop, consider computer lo-jack software. This software is inexpensive and a great tool for tracking your stolen property. Password protect your electronics so that you protect your identity information.

Keep your property secured. Lock your doors. Keep your bicycles and car doors locked. Make it a habit.

Get to know your neighbors better, so that you are familiar with who should and shouldn't be in their back

yard. Be creative in your vigilance and be the person that called. Video surveillance is a great way to have a neighborhood watch. Several residents do monitor their property with video cameras and have provided video evidence for the UPPD when a crime has occurred in their area.

The most important step toward home crime prevention is to be a good neighbor.

Thank you very much for your efforts. Arrests made are often a direct result of concerned residents calling in about suspicious activity. University Park is a great place because everyone is engaged in our community. Make policing your community a regular activity and habit. Remember, "If You See Something Say Something."

**Trick-or-treating in University Park will be held on Thursday, October 31 from 6-9 PM.** Many parents and children enjoy the safe atmosphere in UP and walk through the neighborhood to celebrate Halloween. Our streets are safe and the community is friendly. 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 Town Hall or by asking any UPPD officer, who will be happy to give you one. As always, please be careful when driving through town and alert for all of the children out after dark. Also keep an eye out for any mischievous behavior, usually committed by a very few unsupervised youth and report such behavior to the UPPD immediately.

To keep your evening safe and fun, follow these Halloween safety tips:

- Go trick-or-treating with a grownup.
- Visit people you know.
- Your costume should let you see and hear perfectly. Bright costumes are more easily seen.
- Make sure your costume fits so you can walk without tripping.
- Keep watching and listening for cars.
- Carry a flashlight and cell phone. Call 911 in an emergency.
- Don't eat treats until you show them to your parents or a trusted adult.
- Remember to say thank you for your treats.

## TOWN NEWS

**Theft** Between August 5 10 PM and August 6 8:30 AM in the 6700 block of 44th Ave. suspect stole a Bianchi touring bicycle from the front porch of a residence. An Excitor mountain bike had been left in the front yard of the residence. No suspect/s was located. The investigation is ongoing.

**Theft** Between August 8 5 PM and August 10 8 AM in the 4400 block of Underwood St. suspect/s stole two copper downspouts that were attached to the home. No suspects were located. The investigation is ongoing.

**Theft** On August 11 between 2:30 and 3 PM in the 6700 block of 44th Ave. suspect stole a Schwinn Mist bicycle from the front yard of the residence. No suspect/s was located. The investigation is ongoing.

**Theft from Auto** On August 19 between 2 and 4 AM in the 4200 block of Underwood St. suspect/s entered an unlocked 2009 Toyota Corolla and stole a Garmin GPS unit. No suspect/s was located. The investigation is ongoing.

**Theft from Auto** On August 19 between 3:25 and 3:40 AM in the 4000 block of Underwood St. suspect/s entered an unlocked 2003 Dodge truck and stole an iPod and a wireless internet card. Video footage from an in-home camera displayed a female entering the vehicle and stealing the items. No further description of the suspect was determined. The suspect was not located nor identified. The investigation is ongoing.

**Breaking & Entering** On August 26 at 10:50 PM in the 4000 Block of Beechwood Rd. the homeowner entered his house and discovered two subjects inside. He confronted them and asked what they were doing in his home. The suspects ran out of the home through the side door. The victim chased the suspects down Beechwood Rd. towards Adelphi Rd. and into the wooded area, where he lost sight of them. The police were notified and UPPD, PGPD and Hyattsville City PD responded. The area was searched, the neighborhood was canvassed and the residence was processed for fingerprints. It was determined that a rear window was broken, entry was made and a Toshiba laptop computer was stolen. The victim described both suspects as black males, 18-21 years old, medium length dreadlock style hair, wearing dark clothing, with backpacks. The suspects were not located. The investigation is ongoing.

**Theft** On August 28 between 10 and 10:30 AM in the 4200 block of Tuckerman St. suspects stole a Trek bicycle with a bicycle trailer attached from the front yard of a residence. The suspects had left a Honda mountain bike in the front yard area. The trailer was later located on the path at 42nd Street between Sheridan St. and East-West Highway. No suspect/s was located. The investigation is ongoing.

### Fall is The Best Time for Planting!

#### Tree Reimbursement Program

The Tree Committee reminds you that the Shade Tree Reimbursement Program offers residents up to \$300 towards the price of purchasing and planting a tree on private property. The purpose of the



program is to enhance the town's tree canopy, which provides many benefits including conserving energy, reducing air pollution, increasing property values, enhancing wildlife habitat and providing aesthetic benefits.

The Town of UP recognizes these benefits and has an ongoing tree planting and maintenance program. But the town can only manage trees on public land, such as in parks and along streets.

To increase and maintain a healthy urban tree canopy, the town needs to ensure that trees are also planted on private property. To take advantage of this program, follow these steps:

1. Plant a tree from the Approved Shade Tree List.
2. Fill out the Shade Tree Reimbursement Request form.
3. Deliver the tree receipt and the form to Mickey Beall at Town Hall or [mbeall@upmd.org](mailto:mbeall@upmd.org).

Complete guidelines, the request form and the Approved Shade Tree list are available at the Town of UP website at: [Public works/Department Info](#). This program is in effect as long as funds are available.



**Lost Pet Database** To register your pet, report a lost or found pet, please call Linda Verrill at 301-927-6743. Have your pets wear their tags or a microchip at all times so they can be identified.

## TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

### May 20 Council Meeting Highlights

Present were Mayor Tabori; Council Members Brosch, Gekas, Christiansen, Carey, Sorensen, Cron, Alvarez. *Note: CM Sorensen left the meeting prior to approval of the agenda. She expressed concern about the failure of the Council and the Mayor to consider the DSP at the meeting.*

#### Public Comment

CM Carey announced that Danielle Glaros, chief of staff for Prince George's County Councilman Eric Olson (D-District 3) was in attendance.

#### Permits

*Application to Erect a New Storage Shed, 7006 Wells Parkway* Motion to approve the application to erect a new 8' x 15' shed located at 7006 Wells Parkway. Motion approved 6 to 0.

*Application to Install Sections of 6-foot Fencing and Add a 6 Foot Gate Across Driveway to Enclose the Backyard of the Property, 4213 Sheridan Street* Motion to approve the variance request to install sections of 6-foot fencing and add a 6 foot gate across the driveway located at 4213 Sheridan Street. Motion approved 6 to 0.

#### Continuing Business

The Mayor and Council discussed the proposed Fiscal 2014 Budget. Two versions were debated, A and B. The difference between each version is that Version B contains CM Brosch's proposed mosquito project. The discussion began with the Mayor's explanation of the Town's liquid reserves fund, which aims to stay around 25 percent in accordance with best practices. By implementing the prospective mosquito project, liquid reserves dip as low as 22 percent before increasing again. The Mayor expressed concern with liquid reserves falling below 23 percent, arguing that concerns may arise should a mistake occur in the budget.

The mosquito project proposed by CM Brosch will cost the Town an estimated \$9,000, as outlined in Version B of the Fiscal 2014 Budget discussed during the Council meeting. CM Christiansen pointed out that the program is not meant to be a pesticide program; rather it is a breeding site removal program that focuses on residents making minor changes to their homes. CM Brosch stated that the program goal is to allow residents to spend time outside during the day without worrying about neg-

ative consequences associated with mosquitoes, including bites that may lead to West Nile virus. CM Carey pointed out that the pest control line item is most costly to the Town in 2016 because of gypsy moths, not because of costs associated with the proposed mosquito project.

*Motion to approve the mosquito program for the next two years at \$9,000 and evaluate the program at the end of two years.* Motion approved 4-2 (Carey against, Cron abstains).

Following the motion, the Mayor expressed concerns about the lack of a plan of evaluation. Further, the Town would be required to outsource the program in order to ensure that pesticides are applied by certified personnel. There is uncertainty associated with whether University of Maryland can provide a qualified intern; there is also concern regarding liability. UMD does not want to take on the liability, thus the Town would have to use its own personnel so that this person could be insured.

CM Gekas asked if the budget proposal addresses Queens Chapel Road. The Mayor stated that the Town is looking for prospective grant money to finish the road and make it a Green Street.

CM Brosch asked how the budget will be affected if the Cafritz development requires additional police personnel. The Mayor answered that once the development is operating, the Town will have to provide an additional employee. The Town is working with Riverdale Park in order to determine how this cost may be mitigated.

CM Gekas asked about repairs to the walkway in the park that leads to Adelphi Road. The Mayor stated that the Town is looking to quickly hire an appraiser to move forward with this project. This will require expenditures during this fiscal year and will likely require request of additional funds next year. The Town Treasurer stated that item D5, Column C Debt Service should now and subsequently read \$208,000 instead of \$187,000 in order to reflect a commitment letter that the Town received from SunTrust after refinancing and consolidating the Pension Plan and Infrastructure bonds.

CM Carey asked if the Town is going to perform invasive species removal. The Director of Public Works stated that the removal would be a six-figure, multiyear

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# Town of University Park, Maryland

## 2013 Information Sheet

301-927-4262 | 6724 Baltimore Avenue | [www.upmd.org](http://www.upmd.org)

### Town Hall

Office Hours M-F 9 AM-5 PM

	301-927-4262
	301-927-2997
Fax	301-277-4548
TDD	800-735-2258
Website	<a href="http://www.upmd.org">www.upmd.org</a>
Town Field Status	301-927-4262 x 600
Town Bus Status	301-927-4262 x 601
Mayor John Rogard Tabori	<a href="mailto:mayor@upmd.org">mayor@upmd.org</a>
Town Clerk	<a href="mailto:townhall@upmd.org">townhall@upmd.org</a>
Public Works Mickey Beall	<a href="mailto:mbeall@upmd.org">mbeall@upmd.org</a>
Chief Michael Wynnyk	<a href="mailto:upchief@upmd.org">upchief@upmd.org</a>

### Police

Emergency	911
Non-Emergency	301-352-1200
Police Dept. Direct	301-277-0050
Police Dept. Cell Phone	240-375-1077
Chief Michael Wynnyk	301-277-0051
Mayor Tabori home	301-779-6530

### Town Council

Ward	Council Member	Phone/Email
1	David C. Brosch	301-779-3168 <a href="mailto:ward1@upmd.org">ward1@upmd.org</a>
2	James Gekas	301-864-2734 <a href="mailto:ward2@upmd.org">ward2@upmd.org</a>
3	Arlene Christiansen	301-927-2394 <a href="mailto:ward3@upmd.org">ward3@upmd.org</a>
4	Lenford C. Carey	301-864-1383 <a href="mailto:ward4@upmd.org">ward4@upmd.org</a>
5	Heidi Sorensen	301-927-4977 <a href="mailto:ward5@upmd.org">ward5@upmd.org</a>
6	Michael Cron	301-277-4718 <a href="mailto:ward6@upmd.org">ward6@upmd.org</a>
7	Roy Alvarez	301-779-6746 <a href="mailto:ward7@upmd.org">ward7@upmd.org</a>

### Town Police Department

6724 Baltimore Avenue, 301-277-0050 or (cell) 240-375-1077, or call County Dispatch (301-352-1200) and request a UP officer.

**The UPPD E-List** To Join the E-List mail, email or telephone the UPPD and provide them with your name, address and phone number.

**The UP Sticker** One blue & white UP sticker per licensed car is available free at Town Hall for all UP homeowners. Display the sticker on the driver's side of your car's rear bumper or low on the rear window. Please bring a proof of residency.

**Registry of Sexual Offenders** Free Sexual Offender Notification Service, contact 866-559-6017 or [www.dpscs.state.md.us/onlineservs/sor/](http://www.dpscs.state.md.us/onlineservs/sor/).

**Permit Procedure** All UP residents planning to initiate any construction projects on their property must check with Town Hall to determine whether a Town permit is necessary. 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 council member 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 \$400 per year and provide a yearly inspection program for all licensed UP rental properties.

**Leash Law** All dogs and cats must be on a leash when away from their owner's property. All dog walkers must bag their pet's droppings & dispose of the bags in the pet owner's trash receptacle.

**Trash & Bulk Trash Collection** Trash is collected from your green cart each Tuesday and Friday. Place

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outside by 7 AM. We do not collect or dispose of construction debris. For bulk trash, visit [www.upmd.org](http://www.upmd.org) and click on *Town Info* and *Contact Us* to arrange for your Tuesday or Friday bulk pick-up. Please wait to put items at the curb until your designated day. A \$20 disposal fee is charged for each item that contains Freon: refrigerators, air conditioners, freezers, etc.

**Yard Waste** is collected each Monday. Yard waste is composted rather than taken to the landfill, so it is important to keep it free of trash, rocks and other debris. Bamboo is considered trash. Please put yard waste out only on the evening before collection.

**Recycling** Have your blue recycling cart ready for collection each Thursday by 7 AM. Use your single stream recycling cart for collecting

- ◆ all glass (except mirrors, light bulbs, broken glass and windowpanes)
- ◆ mixed paper (telephone books, magazines, boxes, rinsed milk & juice aseptic cartons, envelopes and newspapers, etc.)
- ◆ some metal (aerosol cans, aluminum foil, aluminum and metal food & beverage containers)
- ◆ many plastics (grocery bags, bubble wrap and stretch film collected into one knotted bag; plastic glasses, food containers numbers 1-7, cups and tableware, flower pots and Rx containers)
- ◆ clothes hangers

Please rinse all containers so they are free of food and grease. Labels & tabs are okay and lids are allowed.

**Battery Recycling** Only dry cell batteries weighing less than two pounds may be recycled at the UP Town Hall. Please pad the positive end of each battery with a strip of tape.

**Trash & Recycling Carts** Please do not put out trash and recycling carts earlier than the night before your scheduled pickup days. It is each resident's responsibility to return the cart from the curb on the same day after pickup. Carts stored outside must be out of view from the street. If the most convenient place to locate your carts is a visible one, consider installing wooden surrounds, barrier walls or lattice and plants.

**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. A map showing the stops is available at the Town Hall or at [www.upmd.org](http://www.upmd.org) under Other Documents.

**UP Bus Service** 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 visits to a neighbor across Town. Reserve your pick-up and return times on weekdays before 1 PM. Small Town groups also may use the bus for occasional excursions. Please try to make bus reservations one week in advance so the driver's schedule may be arranged accordingly. Destinations must be within 5 miles of Town.

**Grocery Shopping Bus Trips** Each Tuesday at 10 AM the Town Bus makes a trip to the Giant grocery store on East-West Highway. Senior or handicapped residents interested in this free door-to-door service must notify the Town Hall by Monday, the day before you wish to shop.

**Leaf Collection** The Town leaf vacuum is in use from November through early January. Residents should rake their leaves up to the curb line. *Do not rake leaves into the gutters or street. Please keep leaf piles free of sticks, stones and other debris.*

**Snow Removal** All residents (including renters) are requested to remove snow from their private and public front sidewalks within 24 hours after the snow has stopped.

**Tax Address** Be sure to use University Park (not Hyattsville) as your address on your Maryland income tax forms. The state only will compensate a share of state taxes for Town services if University Park is designated as your residence address.



**Please clip and save this info sheet!**

# FREE E-CYCLING & PAPER SHREDDING DAY

for University Park Residents

Saturday, October 12, 9 AM to 1 PM

UP Elementary School Bus Circle

**If you can't sell it at the Town-wide Yard Sale...don't put it in the trash. Recycle or shred it!**

Bring your Driver's License for proof of residency. All e-cycle items collected will be reused, refurbished or recycled through Turtle Wings Inc., in accordance with local, state and federal regulations. Residents must arrange to bring acceptable items to the scheduled recycling events or dispose of them at the Prince Georges County Landfill personally.

## Acceptable Items

Answering Machines  
Ballasts-non PCB  
Batteries (see list below)  
Cables  
Camcorders  
CDs/ DVDs  
Cell Phones  
Circuit Boards  
Compact Disc Players  
Computer Equipment  
Computers  
Copiers  
Cords  
Duplicators  
DVD Players  
Electric Typewriters  
Electronic Games  
Fax Machines  
Hard Drives  
Keyboards / Mice  
Household Electronics  
Ink / Toner  
Lab Equipment  
Laptops  
Laptop batteries  
LCD Monitors  
Mainframe Equipment  
Media  
Metal Scrap  
Microwave Ovens  
Modems  
Monitors  
Networking Equipment  
Pagers  
PDA's  
Printers  
Printed Circuit Board  
Radios  
Rechargeable Batteries  
Remote Controls  
Scanners  
Stereo Components  
Stereos  
Tapes

Tape Players  
Telephones  
Telecom Equipment  
Televisions  
Testing Equipment  
Toasters  
Transparency Makers  
Two-Way Radios  
UPS - Power Supplies  
VCRs  
Word Processors  
Other Electronics



## What items are not acceptable?

Air Conditioners  
Broken CRT monitors  
Console Televisions  
Dishwashers  
Dryers  
Light bulbs  
Medical Waste  
Nuclear Waste  
Paint  
PCB Ballasts  
Radioactive Waste  
Refrigerators  
Thermostats  
Washers

## What types of batteries are not acceptable?

Lead Calcium Batteries  
Lithium Batteries  
Magnesium Batteries  
Manganese Batteries Mercury Batteries  
NiCd Wet Cell Batteries  
Nickel Iron Batteries  
Nickel Zinc Batteries  
Silver Oxide Batteries  
Zinc Carbon Batteries

## TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

effort that would require chemical treatment and physical removal by an individual who possesses the two-year degree which certifies treatment near water. The Town would have to outsource or hire personnel for this.

### Legislative Resolution 13-O-04: Fiscal 2014 Budget, 2nd Reading

*Motion to approve the adoption of Legislative Resolution 13-O-04 Version B: Fiscal 2014 Budget.* Motion approved 6 to 0.

### New Business

*Motion to terminate for convenience the contract with the current auditor and award the contract to Lindsay & Associates, LLC.* Motion approved 6 to 0.

*Motion to authorize the Mayor to prepare an ordinance to prepay the Town of University Park General Obligation Bond, 2009 Series and the Town of University Park General Obligation Bond 2011-1 Series to refinance the remaining Principal amount of each loan by a new General Obligation Bond in reasonable conformity to the term sheet dated 5/13/2013 from STI Institutional & Government, Inc.* Motion approved 6 to 0.

*Motion to approve the request to add six additional trees for removal to the Pepco Tree Removal Permit.* Motion approved 4 to 2 (Alvarez and Brosch abstained).

### Department and Council Reports

Mr. Chuck Wilson presented his report on STEP Grant Activities. Town Treasurer Baden stated that the April report of the Town Treasurer was distributed on Thursday, April 16, 2013.

The meeting adjourned at 10:30 PM.



**Editors' Note: Unfortunately, timely minutes for August and September council meetings are not available at press time. We will publish outstanding minutes as soon as possible.**



### Celebrate STEP-UP/STEP Saturday, October 19, 1-3 PM

Join us for a special event celebrating the conclusion of the STEP program at University Park Elementary School. Fun family activities, food and the dedication of the Town's new solar array, the first on a public school in our County!

### Fall Town Wide Yard Sale

Saturday, September 28, 9 AM-1 PM



Over 55 families are participating in the Fall Town Wide Yard Sale—a new record. Organizing, advertising and signage all by the UPCA. Please stop by Queen's Chapel and Underwood to pay your dues at the UPCA table!

### Fall/Winter Clothing Co-op Clothing Sale

*Please Note Corrected Date*

Saturday, October 5, 10 AM-Noon

It's the 36th Annual Fall & Winter Sale. Quality pre-washed and gently worn clothing for children from tots to teens will be available. Featured will be seasonal clothing and accessories, winter coats and snow boots, books, toys, sports equipment, baby/layette equipment and maternity items. All for sale at great prices! Cash only. Riverdale Presbyterian Church 6513 Queens Chapel Rd., University Park, MD, 20782.



**UPplaygroup Meet 'n' Greet**  
**Sunday, October 6, 12-2 PM**



Playgroups are a great way for babies and children to develop and practice their social skills, and the easiest way to find or form a playgroup is by attending the annual UPplaygroup Meet 'n' Greet. Get to know your neighbors with young children at this free event. Representatives from established groups that would welcome new members are encouraged

to attend as well or to send their contact information to one of the coordinators (Michelle Wedge at [mdwedge@gmail.com](mailto:mdwedge@gmail.com) or Christine Becraft at [christine\\_n\\_d@yahoo.com](mailto:christine_n_d@yahoo.com)). Light refreshments available courtesy of the University Park Civic Association. University Park Tot Lot, behind the church at 6513 Queens Chapel Road.

**UP Woman's Club Begins New Year**  
**Monday, October 7, 11:30 AM**

The University Park Woman's Club, Inc. begins a new year of programs and community activities on Monday, October 7. The club meets at the Riverdale Presbyterian Church. Registration begins at 11:30 a.m. followed by lunch at 12 Noon. The program with a conservation theme follows the luncheon. Kate Beveridge, Club Conservation Program Chair, is in charge of the program which will highlight wildlife in UP.

Membership in the Woman's Club is open to all women in UP and surrounding communities. The club provides programs and activities that encourage community service and volunteerism, fellowship and networking among members, and community enhancement. UPWC is affiliated with the General Federation of Women's Club, Inc. with international offices in the District. Visitors are asked to call 301-277-0414 to make a reservation for the meeting.

**Community Flu Shot Clinic**  
**Thursday, October 10, 4-6 PM**

Flu Shots will be available at Riverdale Presbyterian Church to individuals six months or older at a cost of \$25 (cash or check) per person, or free for seniors presenting their Medicare Part B card. Pregnant women must provide written approval from their physician to receive a flu shot. Individuals less than 18 years old must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian to sign a

consent form. Pneumonia shots will be available as well for \$35.

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. Please note that individuals should not get a flu shot if they are allergic to eggs or egg products, have had a severe reaction to a flu shot in the past, have developed Guillain-Barre Syndrome after receiving a flu shot, or have a moderate or severe illness with a fever.



This opportunity is sponsored by Adventist Health Care Ministry, partnering with the Town of University Park, the University Park Community Emergency Response Team, the University Park Woman's Club and Riverdale Presbyterian Church.

**After 8 Book Group**  
**Tuesday, October 15, 8-10 PM**

The October book is *In the Garden of the Beasts* by Erik Larson. The November selection is the novel *Canada* by Richard Ford. The After Eight Book Group meets on the third Tuesday of each month from September to June. Call Laura Donnelly at 301-927-6550 for more information.

**One Maryland One Book Book Discussion**  
**Wednesday, October 30, 6:30-8 PM**



Riverdale Presbyterian Church supports One Maryland, One Book by hosting this event for the 2013 selection of this year's book: *King Peggy: An American Secretary, Her Royal Destiny and the Inspiring Story of How She Changed an African Village* by Peggelene Bartels and Eleanor Herman. This is the story of an American in Ghana and her journey to leadership in Africa. Book club discussion of the 2013 OMOB selection will meet for dinner, photos from Africa and book discussion. Riverdale Presbyterian Church. For more information please see [www.rivpres.org](http://www.rivpres.org) or call the church office 301-927-0477.

**UPplaygroup 3rd Annual  
Post-Halloween Costume Party**  
Friday, November 1, 10 AM

Don't put away those Halloween costumes until you've joined your friends and neighbors for a post-Halloween playgroup for all ages! Parents/caregivers are invited to get the kiddos dressed up again to celebrate in costume. Refreshments provided courtesy of the University Park Civic Association. Free. University Park Tot Lot, behind the church at 6513 Queens Chapel Road.



**UPES PTA Silent Auction**  
Saturday, November 2, 5-8 PM

Join neighbors and friends at the UP Elementary School Silent Auction. Check out the wide selection of items in every price range and place some bids. Enjoy wine, cheese, dessert and live music featuring members of UP's own Lonesome Valley Ramblers! Wallace Presbyterian Church, 725 Metzert Road, College Park.

**UPCA News**

The University Park Civic Association has loads of events planned for October, so mark your calendar for them all! We have a huge turnout of families at most of our free events, but a very poor record of residents making their annual contribution. Thus far in 2013, we have received contributions from only 40 families. With about 1,100 homes in University Park and College Heights Estates, the number of contributors is approximately 4%. You can follow our progress on [www.upcivicassociation.com](http://www.upcivicassociation.com) or in the newsletter when we include the updated numbers. Contributions made until December 1 will be counted towards 2013, then towards 2014.



If you prefer to print a membership form and mail it with your check, the form is available in a PDF format on our website. Please complete and mail it to UPCA Treasurer, 4413 Underwood Street, University Park, MD 20782.

**UPCA Fundraiser**

Tuesday, October 15, All Day

UPCA will have their first-ever fundraiser at Franklin's in Hyattsville. Twenty percent of your total lunch or dinner check will be donated to the UPCA. This includes all purchases in both the restaurant and the Franklin's Store, including gift cards. You'll also be able to pay your \$25 supporting contribution for 2013 at the restaurant by credit card, check or cash. This includes both lunch and dinner! All you have to do when your bill comes or you go to pay in the store be sure to say "I'm here supporting the UPCA."

**Chili Cook-Off**

Sunday, October 20, 3 PM

Enjoy a wide array of chili at the Annual UPCA Chili Cook-Off. Bring your best chili to the UPES field. Friends and neighbors will sample five-alarm, mild and vegetarian chili, as well as chili prepared by the kids. Enjoy live music as votes are tallied and the winners are announced.

**UPCA Social**

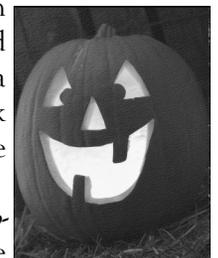
Tuesday, October 22, 7-9 PM

Christine and T.J. Becraft invite residents to their home at 7016 Partridge Place for the bi-monthly UPCA Social. Delicious refreshments will be provided and it's a great way to meet new neighbors. We typically have 25 people at our socials, but if it's as much fun as last year, Christine is likely to have a turnout of many more people!

**Jack-O-Lantern Carving and Halloween Trail**

Wednesday/Thursday, October 30 and 31

The UPCA invites you to participate in a free jack-o-lantern carving. The carved pumpkins will then be on display as a lighted trail along Wells Run Creek (Beechwood Road side and toward the school). Refreshments will be available.



**Carving/Drop-Off, Wednesday, October 30, 3-6 PM** You may either carve one of the free pumpkins or drop-off a jack-o-lantern you've already made at home. The carving station will be located at the paved area between the 9/11 memorial and tennis courts on Wells Parkway.

**Halloween Jack-o-Lantern Trail, Thursday, October 31, 6-8:30 PM** Enter the trail at any point as you trick-or-treat. Enjoy a cup of warm seasonal drink and refreshments, compliments of the UPCA. If you wish to

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retrieve your jack-o-lantern, please wait until after the trail closes at 8:30 PM. Pumpkins not picked up by 9 PM will be removed and composted. Volunteers are needed for this first-ever event. Please contact Michelle Wedge at [mdwedge@gmail.com](mailto:mdwedge@gmail.com) or 240-770-6097 to help!

### UP History Group Veterans Census



Sheila Hein (1950-2001) is one of many veterans of our nation's armed services that called University Park home. Many UP residents currently serve in the U.S. military. The University Park history group is developing a census of all residents who have served. Over 130 names have been collected, but many more deserve recognition.

A native of Springfield, MA, Sheila Hein joined the U.S. Navy after high school. She spent 10 years in the service as a photographer. After leaving the Navy, she pursued a career in computer graphics, working on government contracts. Sheila and her partner of 18 years, Peggy Neff, bought their home in UP in the mid-1990s. They transformed their back garden into a showplace and invited the town to enjoy it as one of the UP Woman's Club Garden Tour stops in the late 1990s.

Sheila began a new career as a budget and management analyst with the U.S. Army in 1996. Employed at the Pentagon, she was there on Tuesday, September 11, 2001. She did not survive the attack that came that day. Her memorial bench can be seen at the National 9/11 Pentagon Memorial.

To enter an individual in the UP Veterans Census, please contact Joann Fletcher at [joann.fletcher1113@gmail.com](mailto:joann.fletcher1113@gmail.com).

**Hyattsville Library Independent Film Series *Questions of Identity Monday, October 21, 6:45-9:00 PM*** "Pariah" Alike is a 17-year old African American woman who lives with her parents and younger sister in Brooklyn. She has a flair for poetry and is a good student. Alike is quietly but firmly embracing her identity as a lesbian. Alike strives to get through adolescence with grace, humor and tenacity, sometimes succeeding, sometimes not, but always moving forward. Hyattsville Library, 6530 Adelphi Rd.

**International Craft Sale-Discover a World of Difference *November 1, 4-9 PM; November 2, 9 AM-4 PM*** This 27th annual International Craft Sale features hand-crafted items from around the world, from India to Kenya to Peru. Conducted in partnership with Ten Thousand Villages, the sale is run entirely by volunteers and does not benefit Hyattsville Mennonite Church. Selected items at the sale include jewelry, weavings, pottery, carved wood, children's toys and holiday decorations. Hyattsville Mennonite Church, 4217 East-West Highway, 301-927-7327, [www.hyattsvillemennonite.org](http://www.hyattsvillemennonite.org).

### College Park Arts Exchange

All events are free and take place at the Old Parish House, 4711 Knox Road, College Park, unless otherwise noted. Parking passes are available. For more info, contact [info@cpae.org](mailto:info@cpae.org) or 301-927-3013.

**Arts Workshop for Adults and Teens: Mosaic with Pattie Curtiss *Saturday, Oct. 5, 12:30-4:30 PM*** Make a colorful fall leaf with pre-sealed wood base and pre-cut pieces of stained glass. You'll also learn techniques to cut glass. Because of glass cutting, this workshop is recommended for adults. Please pre-register.

**Mark Jaster, A Fool Named O *Friday, October 11, 7:30 PM*** Audiences of all ages have loved Mark Jaster's kinetic humor, playful interaction, musical wit and inventive imagination. This amazing mime adds whimsical music for one of the funniest acts you'll ever see. Please give generously to support our high quality free events.

**Reptile Wrap-Up *Sunday, October 13, 3 PM*** The scaly creatures will captivate you as we share myths, histories and benefits of these animals. Spend quality time with the family at our AHA! Kids Monthly Programs—ideal for ages 3 and up. Children must be accompanied by an adult. With the Maryland Department of Natural Resources. Registration suggested as space is limited.

**Children's Arts Drop-In Programs: Mask Mayhem *October 26 and 27*** Arts Specialist Aaron Springer leads free fun arts workshops for children ages 3-8 with their parents. Saturday 10 AM-12 PM at College Park Community Center, Sunday 2-4 PM at Old Parish House.

**Kids Dance Workshops *Saturday, October 26, 4-5 PM*** Connect the Dots Dance Company presents a series of open and imaginative dance workshops for kids under age 8. Free, but a donation is appreciated.



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