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MAYOR'S COLUMN

After some initial delay, Pepco contractors began their vegetation management program in mid-August to remove or prune trees along electrical lines in the southeastern part of the town. Their work was largely completed by Labor Day, and Town contractors and public works crew will soon follow to grind the stumps and begin fall tree planting.

The Town manages this work by written permit, and the Town's arborist and public works director monitor and oversee all pruning and removal of public trees. We did the same in 2013 which involved Pepco work on a much larger scale throughout the town and required significant time during 10 Council Meetings over three months to work out. This reduced damage to the Town's tree canopy from what might have otherwise occurred. In 2013, Pepco removed 47 public trees

(including 17 pears) and another 40 trees on private land, and pruned extensively. This year, in addition to limited pruning along the wires, Pepco contractors removed six trees on private land plus another eight public trees including several large oaks shading homes along Tuckerman and Sheridan Streets (which had been retained through the 2013 removals). In the two years since, however, these large trees had further declined to the point where the Town agreed with its arborist's recommendation that the trees should be removed at the expense of Pepco instead of the Town. In addition, another large tree nearby which had *not* been slated for removal split during a storm and required emergency removal by Town contractors. The Town in the past three years has removed another 140 public trees, as it regularly maintains public trees as safety requires.

Town Meetings & Special Dates

Town Council	October 5 & 19
Shredding & Recycling	October 10
Holiday	October 12
Development Overview Committee	October 21

Town meetings are at 7:30 PM at University Park Elementary School. Residents are encouraged to attend. Please request interpreting services 10 days in advance. Council agendas are posted at www.upmd.org.

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None of us are thrilled to see trees removed, especially large trees, though that is an unfortunate consequence of having them intermingled with our homes and utility wires. It has been through decades of caring that—once our homes were carved out of the woodland and our town built-out—our community's tree canopy has largely expanded. University Park mayors since the 1950s have taken care to plant trees, and with strong community support. Then-Mayor Margaret Mallino kicked this up with an ambitious tree planting program in the mid-1990s. Mayors John Brunner and John Tabori since have continued extensive tree planting and implemented "right tree, right place" principles which should reduce conflict between trees and electrical wires in town and reduce Pepco's need to prune and remove our trees. While undergrounding utility wires would seem preferable, its large cost makes it impractical for established residential communities such as ours to do so.



We continue to vigorously plant trees in University Park. This year alone, Anacostia Watershed Society volunteers and staff have planted about 125 trees in town, adjacent to University Park Elementary School and in the park. The Town's Department of Public Works has planted more than 240 trees in the past 3 years, and this year will plant at least 73 more. This will include an aggressive effort focused on replacing the 24 large-canopy trees lost in the past three years along Sheridan and Tuckerman Streets, and 43rd Avenue with new large-canopy trees. We know it will take several years for these trees to fill out the canopy and provide significant shade, which is all the more reason for planting shade trees *this* year. Toward that end, the Town's hard-working Tree Committee identified appropriate sites along those streets for shade tree plantings. Fourteen of these are in public space and the Town will shortly be planting there. The Tree Committee and Town have identified another 30 possible front-, side-, and backyard spaces on private land, and the Town will shortly begin approaching homeowners there to ask about planting shade trees through the Town's shade tree reimbursement program.

There is much you can do to help our community maintain and grow its tree canopy. You can plant a tree,

either on your own or by helping the Tree Committee with its tree planting planned for October 17. If your home is along Sheridan or Tuckerman Streets or 43rd Avenue near where those large oaks were removed, please email me (mayor@upmd.org) or Director of Public Works Mickey Beall (mbeall@upmd.org) regarding planting a tree in your yard. If you live elsewhere in University Park and would also welcome a shade tree in your yard, please let us know for future possibilities. Whether on private or public land, the trees in our community require continued care. You can and should take care of the trees on your own land, but please do not prune or remove trees belonging to the Town. Instead, please call or email Town Hall to let us know of public trees which require the Town's attention.

Despite an array of complicating issues, including Pepco vegetation management, one of the considerable strengths of our community is that it cares about its trees. In the words of Dr. Seuss' great defender of trees, *The Lorax*—"Unless someone like you cares a whole awful lot, Nothing is going to get better. It's not." We are a community which cares about its trees and so much more. We can work together to care for our tree canopy.

—Len Carey

Do you agree or disagree? Did I miss something?

Let me know: mayor@upmd.org



**Free Shredding &
Electronics Recycling**

**for University Park Residents
Saturday, October 10, 9 AM-1 PM
UP Elementary School Bus Circle**

Please see the notice on page 8 for additional details.



Lost Pet Database To register your pet, report a lost or found pet, please call Laura Collins. She can be reached at UPPetDatabase@gmail.com or 301-785-2838. Have your pets wear their tags or a microchip at all times so they can be identified.

FROM THE CHIEF & CRIME REPORT

What are Scams and/or Fraud?

- A phone call notifying you that you are a lucky winner of the Australian Lottery and your one million dollars will be sent immediately upon receipt of your tax obligation that you are required to prepay by certified check.
- The computer screen suddenly flashes that your system is in danger of being hacked, and by clicking on the icon a scan of your system will eliminate the threat. You click and a message says to please send \$200 and we will gladly unlock your computer.
- A gentleman shows up at your door with a chainsaw in hand and explains that with the recent storm activity, he noticed a tree was in danger of falling on your home. He will gladly cut the tree down and haul it away later. Half of the payment is required in advance.
- An IRS or Dept. of Treasury representative calls to advise you that your taxes are delinquent and an arrest warrant has been issued for your arrest. Immediate payment is required and that payment can be made over the phone through PayPal or by credit card.
- An alleged Microsoft representative calls and requests access to your computer to correct a detected problem with your version of Windows.
- You just saw that deal on Craigslist for the laptop computer you've been looking for at half the cost. You send the money and wait for the purchase to arrive but it never does.
- The phone rings and the person on the other end claims to be your grandchild and is asking for your help to pay bail. Please wire money immediately and get him out of jail in a foreign country for a misunderstanding with the authorities.
- A knock at the door and a lengthy explanation of just having done your neighbors' driveway and for a fraction of the cost will gladly do your driveway since we're here anyway and had extra material.
- Money solicited for fake charities. The frequency of this type of fraud increases after natural disasters.

The fraud/scam/theft situations described above are just a sampling of the reports taken here in University Park. All of them have occurred here and are extremely difficult to investigate and to prosecute. The Internet Crime Complaint Center (IC3.gov) receives, develops and refers criminal complaints regarding cybercrime.

If you decide to hire someone to do work at your home, have them provide adequate identification, address and

phone number for your files and ask for a photo ID. Take the extra precaution to know who is working in or around your home and hold that person responsible for the job getting done correctly. And if they had enough leftover material to do a second job, that should raise a red flag. Door-to-door salesmen need to have written permission to solicit in University Park. Verify that before buying or donating to their cause. It could be legitimate or a scam. Phone and email solicitations generally cross jurisdictional boundaries, often international and are investigated by Federal authorities. Free money sounds too good to be true and usually isn't.

So if you receive a letter congratulating you on winning a fortune, be a real winner and don't send them money! Federal agencies *do not* call citizens and threaten or demand payment over the phone; refer those calls to your attorney or the University Park Police Department. Microsoft would never contact a customer by phone to correct a product issue. The scam artist is a smooth talker who easily uses information you provide them in conversation to get into your wallet, bank account, computer or home. We all love a great deal on goods and services, but it is important to verify whom you are dealing with and only pay after the service is completed to your satisfaction.



Halloween in University Park will be held on Saturday, October 31 from 6 to 9 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. Many parents and children enjoy the safe atmosphere in UP for the tradition of walking through the neighborhood to

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celebrate Halloween. Our streets are safe and the community is friendly. As always, please be careful when driving through town and be 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.

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

- Go trick-or-treating with a grownup.
- 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 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.

Stolen Auto Between July 31 5 PM and August 14 11 AM in the 4400 block of Tuckerman St. unknown suspect/s stole a 1994 Toyota Corolla. The owner had parked the vehicle in the church parking lot and upon returning home from vacation, discovered that the vehicle had been stolen. No suspect/s was located. Investigation is ongoing.

Theft On August 16 at 8:30 PM in the 4400 block of Underwood St. the resident advised that two bicycles were stolen from the property. An unknown brand road bicycle was stolen from the rear yard and a Schwinn mountain bicycle was stolen from the front yard. No witness or suspect/s was located.

Tree Committee

**University Park, Where Money Grows on Trees:
Shade Tree Reimbursement Program**

With the advent of autumn arrives the both the harvest season and the perfect season for planting woody plants. Both trees and shrubs enjoy the best chance of thriving when planted between October 1 and December 15. We are fortunate to live in this shady glen and to have town governance that promotes the maintenance of the canopy. The program is well funded for 2015. Residents can be reimbursed for up to \$300 per shade tree selected

from the approved list at upmd.org/docs/11-576-1436880239.pdf.

All costs up to \$300 associated with the planting of the tree can be reimbursed with proper documentation. The program is user friendly and short on paperwork. Please call Public Works before planting for a verbal okay. In addition to an okay and your receipts, the only other requirement is completion of a one page form. The Tree Committee urges you to take advantage of this *tree-mendous* opportunity.

Ivy League, Saturday, October 10, 9-11 AM

Another volunteer opportunity available in October is the Tree Committee's monthly session of the Ivy League. We will be removing ivy from the town's trees in the town park east of Queen's Chapel Road. Please meet at 8:55 across from the elementary school. Please bring a set of garden pruning clippers and a large screwdriver, small



pry bar or dandelion weeder. Long sleeve shirts and pants are recommended. Attendance at five sessions will earn volunteers a custom, limited edition, University Park Ivy League bandana.

Tree Planting, Saturday, October 17, 9 AM-1 PM

Volunteers sought: The Tree Committee's second street tree planting will take place in the NW corner of town, along the triangle of streets connecting Calverton, Wells Parkway and Adelphi Road. The holes will be pre-dug by Public Works and all tools and equipment provided. A total of 25 street trees will be planted, helping to further maintain the "park" in University Park. Please lend a hand; the Tree Committee is stalwart, but our numbers are few and our median age significant. We will meet at the corner of Calverton and Wells Parkway.

-Chris Aubry, on behalf of the Tree Committee



TOWN COUNCIL MEETING

August 10 Council Meeting Highlights

Present were Mayor Carey; Council Members (CM) Thompson, Gekas, Hess, Verrill, Caskey, Cron, Alvarez.

Presentations

Toi Davis, Principal of University Park Elementary School, gave a brief presentation, which included a description of the Italian program, student enrollment and the Science Bowl championship and an education award program. Ms. Davis introduced Assistant Principal Mas-sa Freeman, who has been with UPES for seven years.

John Shoaff, University Park Ethics Commission, distributed a copy of their recommended changes to draft Resolution 15-O-11 repealing and reenacting chapter 12, "Public Ethics" of the Town Code. The intent of this request is to clarify certain aspects with reporting of the code and to fine tune how it is implemented.

Permits

Motion to approve the request for a building permit to install a 10' x 14' x 10' shed located at 6715 Adelphi Road.

Abstain Motion: To be continued until the August 31, 2015 Council Meeting. Motion to continue approved 7 to 0.

Motion to send no letter to the Board of Zoning Appeals to validate an existing condition and construct a driveway in the front yard on the premises. A variance of 3 feet side yard width and a waiver of the parking area location requirement are requested at 4405 Underwood Street. Motion approved 7 to 0.

Motion to approve the request for a building permit to install a 4' fence, located at 4441 Wells Parkway. Motion approved 7 to 0.

Motion to approve the request for a building permit with Special Exception for the installation of a nonconforming 6' fence, located at 4441 Wells Parkway. Council must make the requisite findings to approve this Special Exception per Section 4-115 Sub-sections A-E of the Town Code. Motion approved 4 to 3 (Hess, Thompson, Alvarez opposed). Mayor Carey stated his intent to veto the motion. Mr. Gekas asked that the veto be in writing. The Mayor will provide the veto statement within 15 days.

Motion to approve the request for a building permit to remove window and replace with a door at 6914 Pineway. Motion approved 7 to 0.

Motion to approve the request for a building permit to modify an existing sunroom and add a new screened porch off the back, and to an extend existing deck with new stairs, located at 4321 Van Buren Street. Motion approved 7 to 0.

Motion to approve the request for a building permit to construct a 12' x 11' deck located at 4317 Tuckerman Street. Motion approved 7 to 0.

Motion to approve the request for a building permit to erect a 12' x 32' detached garage and 10' x 39' driveway located at 4310 Van Buren Street. The front of the garage that faces the street, the cladding shall be original brick from the original garage and the distance between the existing driveway and the front of the garage be allowed as a new portion of driveway. Motion approved 7 to 0.

Motion to approve the request for a building permit to construct a 12' x 30' driveway pad extension located at 4445 Wells Parkway. Motion approved 7 to 0.

Motion to approve the extension of two Special Utility Permits for the Anacostia Watershed Society to enter University Park right-of-way to install storm water management features as itemized on the Permits and with the conditions as proposed. Motion approved 7 to 0.

Consent Agenda

Motion to approve the following consent agenda items. Motion approved 7 to 0.

Block party/street closure at 40th Avenue at the cul-de-sac at the end of the block (Saturday, September 19, 2015 from 3-9 PM) Ward 2. The police department has been notified and supports this request.

To endorse the annual Fall Federal Agency 3-Mile Walk/Run on Thursday October 1, 2015 from 12 until 1 PM. through University Park. The police department has been notified and supports this request.

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New Business

Motion: *To approve the introduction of Legislative Resolution 15-O-11 to repeal and reenact Sections 12-101, 12-102, 12-104, 12-105, 12-106, 12-107, 12-108, and 12-109 of Chapter 12 "Public Ethics," of the Town Ordinances and to add Section 12-110, to clarify the applicability of the Code; delete a publicly traded mutual fund from the definition of interest; clarify the procedures for filing and retention of the required financial and other disclosures by elected Town officials and candidates; clarify the procedures for filing and retention of the required financial and other disclosures by appointed officials and Town employees; delete the requirements for and enforcement of lobbying disclosure; authorize the Town Clerk to receive filings on behalf of the Ethics Commission and Supervisors of Elections; change the complaint procedure when ethics counsel determines that the complaint is time barred under or does not assert facts that if proven true would constitute an ethics violation; and make provision to require filing of conflict of interest statements and correction of inaccurate or incomplete filings.* Motion approved 7 to 0.

Motion to schedule an Emergency Response Table-Top Exercise for no more than 2 hours duration during the Council meeting scheduled for September 21, 2015. The Council will meet in Council Work Session for this exercise. Motion approved 7 to 0.

Department and Council Reports

Mayor Carey reported that:

- The new used University Park Town bus, a 2006 Ford, has arrived and is in service. The new 2015 bus will arrive at the end of the month.
- Continuing to solicit recommendations for the Ethics Commission.
- The Town has changed its information technology maintenance and support contractor. They will take charge of the system on September 1.
- The Mayor will propose a revision of the Town policy and fees to be charged in responding to requests made under the Maryland Public Information Act.

Council Reports

Police, Traffic and Public Safety Committee CM Alvarez reported that the Committee would like to propose at the September 21 Council Meeting a rebate program for home security systems. The Committee is waiting for a proposal from Art at Work on signage at Town

Hall and various places throughout University Park.

Development Overview Committee CM Hess reported that a Development Overview Committee meeting is scheduled for August 19 at 7:30 PM at Town Hall.

CM Alvarez suggested and the Council agreed that Ms. Ferguson write a follow-up letter to the Public School System regarding the unresolved fencing issue at University Park Elementary School.

Town Clerk Tracey Toscano reported that the MML Fall Conference is scheduled for October 24-28, 2015 and will be held in Cambridge, Maryland.

Police Chief Wynnyk reported that the Administrative Assistant position will close on August 12. There are approximately ten applicants. Chief Wynnyk sat on a panel with Mayor Carey at the Word of God Baptist Church on Community and Race.

Department of Public Works Director Michael Beall reported:

- In the process of acquiring a third trash packer.
- Pepco is scheduled to begin work on August 17.
- The Queens Chapel Road tennis court has bubbled due to ground water. A meeting is scheduled to discuss how repairs should be addressed.
- The Public Works department is at full staff. An arrangement was made that when the Town bus driver is not available, a public works employee with a CDL license can fill in as substitute drivers on an as-needed basis.

The meeting adjourned by consent at 9:55 PM.

UPCA News



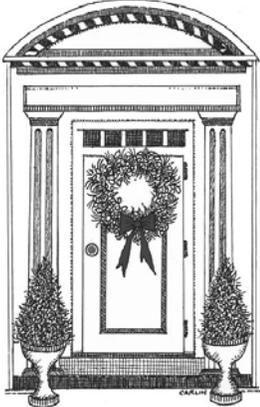
The UPCA sends out a big thank you to all who participated in the many activities going on about town, including Movie Night, the Townwide Yard Sale and the Fall Wine & Cheese Party! A big thank you to Liana Wallace for overseeing Movie Night, and a big thank you to Jean Pirovic and the Pirovic Team of Long and Foster for sponsoring this well-attended event. We also want to thank Carol Cron for putting together the 4th annual Fall Wine and Cheese party again this year!

TOWN NEWS & EVENTS

This month we are proud to present the annual Chili Cook-off on October 17, as well as an October social on the 13th, and an all-new Halloween Fest on the 31st! Please see below for more information. We hope to see you soon at these creatively-inspired events!

UPWC News: Volunteer for

December 11 House Tour



The University Park Woman's Club's (UPWC) annual candle-light holiday house tour will be held Friday, December 11. The Woman's Club is seeking volunteers in UP and College Heights Estates who would like to have their home featured on the 2015 tour. Homes of all ages, sizes or architectural styles are being secured for the tour. This is a great opportunity if you like to decorate, interact with your neighbors and support a popular long-standing neighborhood event. Tour homes must be identified no later than November 1. To volunteer your home or to secure more information, contact Anna-Mae Kobbe at amkobbe@aol.com or 301-277-0414.

This community event is an annual fundraiser of the Woman's Club. The ticketed event supports college scholarships for local students and other service projects of UPWC. UPWC members manage all ticket sales and event marketing. The local UP Woman's Club is open to women in UP and surrounding communities.

UPWC Meeting

Monday, October 5, 11:30 AM

Join us Monday to hear Jo Epps, certified pedorthist, discuss foot health and how to find shoes to best support your feet. A light lunch will be served at noon. Jo will speak at 12:30 PM. Childcare is free. University Christian Church, 6800 Adelphi Road, Hyattsville. RSVP to Jana Over at upwcLead@gmail.com or 301-779-5120.

UPCA October Social

Tuesday, October 13, 7-9PM

Please save the date for the UPCA October social. The Becrafts will once again host the well-attended October UPCA social at their house, 7016 Partridge Place. Please

contact Christine Becraft with any questions at christine_n_d@yahoo.com.

UPCA Chili Cook-off

Saturday, October 17, 4-7PM

Do you think you cook a rockin' good chili? Do you want to put your creation to the test amongst other contestants? Come join the Chili Cook-off and show us what you got! The four categories are as follows: 5-Alarm, Mild, Vegetarian and Kids (13 years old and under). Entrants, mix up a batch to feed 15-20, then bring your dish and register your entry between 4-4:15 PM. If there is rain, we will be in the UP Elementary School auditorium, instead of outside on the lawn by the gazebo. Those not bringing chili need to bring dessert, corn bread, chips, salad, a side dish or Fritos. Everyone must bring their own drinks! UP's very own Pork Chop and the Top Dogs will be playing. For more information, or to volunteer for the event, please contact Tom Williams at tomw151@gmail.com—and join us at UP Elementary School.



After 8 Book Group

Tuesday, October 20, 8-10 PM

The October book is *A Walk in the Woods* by Bill Bryson. The book for November is Stewart O'Nan's *Emily Alone* or *Wish You Were Here*. Please call Leila Steiner at 301-779-7295 or Laura Donnelly at 301-927-6550 for more information.

UPCA Halloween Fest

Saturday, October 31, 2-4 PM

Come join your neighbors of all ages in their costumes for Halloween Fest at UP Elementary School! Everyone can join in for the parade, crafts and dance party! At the center of the entertainment will be DJ Lisa, who got everyone dancing at the UPES's very own Azalea Classic. For more information, please contact Deb Kushner at debkushner@comcast.net.

Fall UP Stream Clean-UP

Saturday, November 7, 9 AM-Noon

We'll meet on the UP Soccer field near Queens Chapel Road. There will be Coffee, juice, doughnuts and trash bags for all. Bring gloves. Student community service hours earned will be documented. Rain or shine. Residents and friends are invited to join this effort. Clearing

the banks of the stream of trash at this time will add to the beauty of the stream for the winter months. Do try to join us. If you have questions, contact Kate Beveridge at (301) 277-4485 or BBeve@Verizon.Net.

Qigong & Tai Chi Lessons

Saturdays, 8-9:30 AM

Come join us to learn the ancient Chinese martial art often referred to as "meditation in motion" and leave feeling relaxed and energized. Free. Hosted by University Park Church of the Brethren, 4413 Tuckerman Street. For more information, call 301-466-5894.

Intimate Apparel by Lynn Nottage, *October 9-17* Pulitzer prize-winning playwright Lynn Nottage explores the strength of the human spirit through the story of Esther, an African American seamstress in New York in 1905 when social and class lines were clearly drawn and seemingly impassible. Regular: \$25; Student/Youth: \$10. Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center, University of Maryland, College Park. Info: 301-405-7794, contact.theclarice@umd.edu

University United Methodist Church Rummage Sale *Saturday, October 24, 9 AM-4 PM* Treasures galore. Items for sale include: furniture, clothing (children's and adults), collectibles, toys, books, electronics, house wares, kitchenware, china, linens, tools and bric-a-brac. Donations for the sale are accepted at the church until October 22. Donations are tax deductible. Campus Drive, College Park. More info: 301-277-4799.

Serenity and Health Saturday Workshops, October 10 and 17, 9 AM-2:30 PM 10/10 **Session: Stress** How stress harms health and interferes with peace and closeness to God. Learn about and practice relaxation, resilience, mind body spirit connection & Centering Prayer. 10/19: **Staying in the Moment** Our days are too busy and noisy, full of internal conversations and multitasking. The goal will be to understand and practice mindfulness, especially from a spiritual perspective, so that we may indeed celebrate the sacrament of the present moment. Attend one or both of the sessions. Participation and sharing encouraged. Lunch will be provided. No charge; may make voluntary donation. You must sign up in advance. Contact the facilitator, Donna Chacko MD at 301-422-8300 or serenityandhealthgroup@gmail.com. Hosted by St. Mark the Evangelist Catholic Church, 7501 Adelphi Road, Hyattsville.

FREE SHREDDING & E-CYCLING DAY

for University Park Residents



Saturday, October 10, 9 AM-1 PM
UP Elementary School Bus Circle

If you did not sell it at the Town-wide Yard Sale...don't put it in the trash. Recycle 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.

Please visit the Public Works page at [upmd.org](http://www.upmd.org) for a list of other acceptable and unacceptable items. <http://www.upmd.org/docs/11-576-1331152063.pdf>

The Public Works page at [upmd.org](http://www.upmd.org) also includes a list of other reuse and salvage organizations.

Residents must arrange to bring acceptable items to the scheduled recycling events or dispose of them personally at the Prince George's County Landfill.



Town of University Park, Maryland

2015 Information Sheet

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Town Hall

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 Chief Michael Wynnyk upchief@upmd.org

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

Town Council

Ward	Council Member	Phone/Email
1	Joe Thompson	240-770-1358 ward1@upmd.org
2	James Gekas	301-864-2734 ward2@upmd.org
3	Bradlee Hess	301-699-0694 ward3@upmd.org
4	Linda Verrill	301-927-6743 ward4@upmd.org
5	David Caskey	301-699-8785 ward5@upmd.org
6	Michael Cron	301-277-4718 ward6@upmd.org
7	Roy Alvarez	301-779-6746 ward7@upmd.org

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 email list for crime alerts, contact the UPPD and provide them with your name, email address and phone number.

The UP Sticker One blue & white UP sticker per li-

censed 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 866-559-8017 or www.dpssc.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 5 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 outside by 7 AM. We do not collect or dispose of construction debris. For bulk trash, visit www.upmd.org and click on *Town Info* and *Contact Us* to arrange for your Tuesday or Friday bulk pick-up. The Town requires a \$20 payment for each item containing refrigerants or other gases, including air conditioners, dehumidifiers, freezers and refrigerators. Payment should be made to the Town of University Park and submitted to the Town Clerk prior to scheduling the pick-up. TVs and electronics will not be collected with regular weekly collections. Residents should bring these items to the semi-annual electronics recycling events or to the Brown Station Landfill, Upper Marlboro.

Electronics Recycling/Paper Shredding

The Town holds electronic recycling events each spring and fall at University Park Elementary School. Town residents may bring household electronics for recycling at no cost. TVs and electronics will not be collected with regular weekly collections. Hard drive destruction is available for a nominal fee. Free paper shredding is also available at the fall event. The Public Works page of the Town website contains a detailed list of acceptable/unacceptable items.

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 in a bin or brown paper bag.

Recycling Effective July 1, 2015 plastic bags and all other sheet-like plastic are prohibited.

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

- many plastics (food containers numbers 1-7, cups and tableware, flower pots and Rx containers)
- clothes hangers
- 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)

Please rinse all containers so they are free of food and grease. Labels, tabs and lids are allowed. Dry cell batteries weighing less than two pounds may be recycled at the 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.

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.

UP Metro Shuttle Service runs on the half hour each weekday morning and afternoon from numerous stops in Town to and from the Prince George's 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 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 and to Wegmans on the second Tuesday of the month. 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.

Snow Removal All residents (including renters) are required 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!



October 2015

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Save the Date! Fall UP Stream Clean-UP Saturday, November 7, 9 AM-Noon				1 Recycling	2 Trash	3 Qigong & Tai Chi Lessons, 8-9:30 
4	5 Yard Waste UPWC Meeting, 11:30 AM Town Council, 7:30 PM	6 Trash	7	8 Recycling	9 Trash 	10 Free Shredding & Electronics Recycling, 9 AM-1 PM by League, 9-11 AM
11	12 Columbus Day: Town Holiday Town Hall closed, no shuttle service, no waste pick up	13 Trash UPCA October Social, 7-9 PM	14 Yard Waste	15 Recycling	16 Trash 	17 Tree Planting, 9 AM-1 PM UPCA Chili Cook-off, 4-7 PM
18	19 Yard Waste Town Council, 7:30 PM	20 Trash After 8 Book Group, 8-10 PM 	21 Development Overview Committee, 7:30 PM	22 Recycling	23 Trash	24
25	26 Yard Waste	27 Trash	28	29 Recycling	30 Trash 	31 UPCA Halloween Fest, 2-4 PM Halloween in University Park, 6-9 PM



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