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FROM THE MAYOR

The Town Budget that was submitted on March 31 represents one of the more important ones that Town Hall has proposed in many years. As promised, property taxes will remain constant for the 5th year in a row. There will be no cuts in services and the Town will continue to refurbish Town infrastructure. It will be necessary to draw down our reserves in order to complete all the infrastructure repairs. However, the draw down will not impact our fiscal integrity and we will continue to have total aggregate reserves in excess of 30 percent of our full budget for the foreseeable future and our debt load will remain less than 60 percent of it.

Next year's budget is likely to contain a small increase in Town property taxes to match inflation rates, which are

projected to be between 2 to 3 percent by the Federal Reserve. If you wish to contribute to the discussion, the Council will discuss the budget at its regularly scheduled May 7 and 21 meetings.

For those of you who wish to testify before the District Council in the matter of the Cafritz rezoning, the next opportunity to do so is Monday, April 30 starting at 10 AM. The rules that will control testimony are posted on the Town website. It is being run as an evidentiary hearing, which permits formal cross-examination by the applicant, the opposition, the People's Zoning Counsel and the Members of the District Council. Individual opening remarks will be confined to three minutes prior to any questions.

Town Meetings & Special Dates

Town Council	May 7 & 21
Cafritz Hearing	April 30
Town Election	May 1

Town meetings are at 7:30 PM at Univ. Park Elem. School. Residents are encouraged to attend. Please request interpreting services 10 days in advance. Council agendas are posted at www.upmd.org and on the Town Hall bulletin board Fridays prior to meetings.

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A very *special tip of the hat* must go to the intrepid group of UPES students who won a *fifth* Science Bowl championship on April 15, the most won by any elementary school in the 26 year history of the Prince George's County Science Bowl. Please give a pat on the back to Madeleine Wonneberger, Surya Pukazhenthil and Charlie Dawson when you see them as well as their coach, Geoff Favero. What a wonderful achievement!

This spring's stream cleanup was held on April 14 and was a huge success organized and led by Tom Stickle, the Town stream committee chair, and the UPCA. A large group of residents waded through the streams and thickets with trash bags, making the park ready for spring and summer. Thank you all for coming, and to Tom and UPCA a big *tip of the hat*. After the cleanup, I was delighted to hear that fish were observed in the stream testifying to the recovery of the stream over the last decade.

The Azalea Classic this year was a smashing success with over 800 runners registered for the 1 mile, the 1K and the 5K races. The beautiful, temperate weather made for high energy runs. It was particularly gratifying to see the large number of young people who competed in the 1 mile run up and down Queens Chapel Road. Sarah Elder and a slew of volunteers did a fantastic job in organizing this very popular annual event. *Hats off* to her and her colleagues.

On April 22 the Town, and Sarah Moseley and Beth Domingo, the two co-chairs of the 75th Anniversary Committee, were presented with a St. George's Day Award by the Prince George's Historical Society for their efforts in staging the yearlong celebration. Another *hats off* to Sarah and Beth and all the volunteers who worked with them. Wow, what a well done job! A special thanks to Kim Fisher who headed up the 75th Anniversary Quilt Project. The quilt will be unveiled at the May 7 Council Meeting and will be permanently displayed at Town Hall.

If you want to get rid of some items that you have been hiding in the attic, basement or garage and maybe earn a few dollars for them, consider the Town Wide Yard Sale on May 5. It also is a good way to meet your neighbors and find a gadget that you always wanted but never saw in a store!

On May 19 from 9 AM to 1 PM, the Town will host a electronics recycling and paper shredding event at University Park Elementary School. This is a good way to get rid of sensitive papers and documents containing personal information. For guidance as to the types of materials and electronics that will be accepted, check the Public Works website and/or contact Town Hall and ask for the Public Works Director.

STEP-UP is continuing to move forward at a dizzying pace as it heads toward its third and final year. The project recently signed contracts with a social marketing, and research and evaluation firm to work on the development of a tool kit to assist other small communities implementing residential energy efficiency and conservation programs, and evaluate the impact of STEP-UP on energy use and cost in University Park. STEP-UP has also signed an agreement with Sandy Springs Bank to provide low cost, unsecured loans to finance residential energy efficiency work in private homes in University Park. These loans will only be available to program participants.

Finally, the program is in the final stages of developing a memorandum of understanding to allow placement of a solar panel array on the UPES roof.



It is expected that once completed, the array will reduce Town street and Town Hall electricity charges to zero, and may in fact produce enough electricity that the Town will receive a small annual income from it. This will offset the inevitable future rise in fuel costs. Special thanks go to Suzanne Parmet, our Energy Coach, and Chuck Wilson for their extraordinary work in making all this possible, as well as the Advisory Committee whose ideas and thoughts have so enriched the project and our lives.

Take care of yourselves, enjoy the spring and I will see you around Town.

John Rogard Tabori

FROM THE CHIEF & CRIME REPORT

If you're a parent with a senior in high school you are fully aware of how hectic this time in a young person's life is. Proms, graduation parties, senior beach week, final exams, the excitement of going to college, summer jobs—these memories are important, but so is finishing the school year healthy and safe. As a community it is our responsibility to talk to our own and others' children about drinking, drugs, driving under the influence, respecting themselves, respecting others and having fun in a responsible and courteous manner. Ask them to do the right thing, even when no one is looking. Don't be afraid to tell them no when it comes to dangerous activities.

Theft from parked vehicles continues to be a problem in UP and surrounding jurisdictions. Unlocked vehicles are most vulnerable and easy targets. Even locked vehicles have windows that are easily broken and these smash-and-grab thefts take only a few seconds. All loose items in your vehicle should be secured out of sight or removed from the vehicle. Placing them in the trunk may not work, since most trunks are easily opened from inside the car. If your trunk has the option to lock separately, use it.

Car manufacturers have done a great job of making it difficult to steal a car, with computer-chip keys, tamper resistant ignitions, electronic locks, factory radio protection and other advancements in technology. Thefts of factory-installed vehicle parts are a small percentage of overall car thefts. Items commonly stolen from vehicles include GPS units, aftermarket radios, coins, laptops, wallets, purses, iPods, cameras and cell phones. Criminals know the chance of one or more of these items being in a car are very high. Bring your property into the house and work place with you. Use a steering wheel lock if you have one and document the serial numbers of the items you purchase.

University Park is a safe place, but complacency about locking doors, putting away bicycles and other valuables provides an opportunity that thieves find difficult to resist. If you witness a crime in progress, call 911 immediately. Preventing crime needs the cooperation of the entire community. The result is an improvement in the quality of life for all.

Theft from Auto Between March 1 8 PM and March 2 1 PM in the 4000 block of Tennyson Rd. suspect/s entered an unlocked 2010 Honda Accord and stole a GPS. No suspect/s was located. The investigation is ongoing.

Theft On March 7 between 5 PM and 8 PM in the 6500 block of Queens Chapel Rd. suspect/s stole a Specialized bicycle from the yard of a residence. No suspect/s was located. Investigation is ongoing.

Theft from Auto Between March 3 9:30 PM and March 4 8 AM in the 4300 block of Van Buren St. suspect/s entered an unlocked 2008 Lexus and stole a GPS unit from the glove compartment. No suspect/s was located. The investigation is ongoing.

Theft from Auto Between March 16 8 AM and March 17 9 AM in the 4200 block of Van Buren St. suspect/s entered an unlocked 2010 Subaru Forester and stole coins. No suspect/s was located. The investigation is ongoing.

Theft from Auto Between March 3 7 PM and March 4 10 AM in the 4300 block of Clagett Rd. suspect/s entered an unlocked 2009 Chevy Silverado and stole coins. No suspect/s was located. The investigation is ongoing.

Theft from Auto On March 4 between 9 AM and 11:30 AM in the 4300 block of Clagett Rd. suspect/s entered an unlocked 2011 Saab stole coins and a bluetooth earpiece. No suspect/s was located. The investigation is ongoing.

Theft from Auto On March 4 at 5:30 AM in the 4300 block of Clagett Rd. suspect/s entered an unlocked 2011 Ford Escape and stole coins and a registration slip. No suspect/s was located. The investigation is ongoing.

Theft from Auto Between March 19 10 PM and March 21 8 AM in the 6800 block of Pineway suspect/s entered an unlocked 2006 Nissan Frontier and stole a Tom-Tom GPS unit. No suspect/s was located. The investigation is ongoing.

Theft from Auto On March 5 between 2 AM and 5 AM in the 6900 block of 40th Ave. suspect/s broke the driver side window and stole a GPS unit from the dashboard. No suspect/s was located. The investigation is ongoing.

Theft from Auto On March 5 between 1 AM and 6 AM in the 4200 block of College Heights Dr. suspect/s entered an unlocked 1989 BMW and stole a CD player. No suspect/s was located. The investigation is ongoing.



Take advantage of Pepco's newly expanded, direct rebate lighting program. Accessing the rebate is easy. Simply go to a participating retailer near you and buy qualifying CFL (compact fluorescent light) or LED (light emitting diode) light bulbs and qualifying light fixtures at a discounted price. The participating stores within a 5-mile radius of University Park include Family Dollar, Home Depot, Lowe's and Walmart.

The savings available through the program include:

- ◆ \$1.50 on ENERGY STAR qualified CFLs and \$3 on ENERGY STAR qualified CFL multi-packs
- ◆ \$10 on ENERGY STAR qualified fixtures
- ◆ \$10 on ENERGY STAR qualified LED lamps and fixtures



According to the Pepco website, ENERGY STAR qualified LEDs last a minimum of 25,000 hours, or 22 years based on 3 hours of use per day and use at least 75% less energy than incandescent lighting. They also are durable, versatile and come with a 3-year warranty.

The program does have a few restrictions, including a limit of 25 CFL or LED bulbs per customer and a limit of 6 light fixtures per customer. Pepco does not warrant or endorse any manufacturer. The program is subject to change or termination at any time. For more information on Pepco's Lighting Program, call 866-353-5798 or go to: <http://homeenergysavings.pepco.com/lighting-program>.

Contact Suzanne Parmet, at 240-695-3991 or energy-coach@upmd.org, or visit www.mystep-up.org, to join STEP-UP today, or to learn more about Pepco's lighting rebate offer.

Town to Conduct Public Input Meeting on Future Cable Television Needs

Monday, May 7, 7:30 PM

As part of the cable television franchise renewal process with Comcast, the Town will be conducting a public input meeting on to allow residents to comment on desired future cable television service needs and local public, educational and governmental (PEG) access programming needs and interests.

The public input meeting will be held at University Park Elementary School in the library. These meetings are not intended to just examine past performance, but rather to look at what is needed by the community going forward. The public will be allowed to offer brief opinions and views on future needs for cable television and PEG access programming and information.

Shade Tree Reimbursement Program

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.

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.

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March 19 Council Meeting Highlights

Present were Mayor Tabori; Council Members Brosch, Gekas, McPherson, Carey, Bradley Chacón (Cron excused).

Presentation of the Standing Stone Consulting Firm

Chief Wynnyk introduced Mr. Ian Thompson and Mr. James Hyslop of Standing Stone Consulting, Inc. Mr. Thompson and Mr. Hyslop reported on the University Park Safety and Security Assessment that they had conducted. They discussed the ten elements of comprehensive crime prevention. Mr. Thompson explained that crime prevention is a behavioral science. They talked about how to create expected behaviors using signage, sidewalks, landscaping and other means. One of the goals of creating expected behaviors is to signal that an area has residents that care about an area, which creates a sense of territoriality. They noted that University Park does not have a cohesive signage plan. Chief Wynnyk said he would make the report available to the community.

Public Comment

Mr. Lynn Dudinsky, a resident of Woodberry Street, proposed allowing a community to temporarily fence off an area in the Town to allow dogs to romp and play. He said this would not be a permanent structure. CM Bradley Chacón said that what she liked about the proposal was that it was a pilot. Mr. Dudinsky proposed a location in front of or behind the tennis courts on Queens Chapel Road. CM Gekas noted that Ward 2 residents are very opposed to the idea. He said the sense of the community was that our available park spaces should be available for people. CM Carey recommended referring this question to the Public Facilities and Services Committee. Ms. Verrill said she thought the previous opposition was to a permanent structure. CM McPherson asked if CM Carey's committee would come back with a plan/proposal. CM McPherson asked that the public's safety be considered if this is a more temporary structure. The proposal was referred to the Council Committee on Public Facilities and Services for study and recommendations.

Aaron Marcavitch, Executive Director of the Anacostia Trails Heritage Area (ATHA), discussed the activities the ATHA program is planning. A bike rally is planned for May 19. Mini-grants are available for history, culture, art and/or nature topics. You will find more information

about the Battle of Bladensburg available at <http://www.battleofbladensburg1812.org>.

Permits

Application to Erect a Three Post 42" Vinyl Landscaping Fence and Replace Existing Slate Patio with Cement, 6511 Queens Chapel Road Motion to approve the application to replace existing slate patio with cement located at 6511 Queens Chapel Road. Motion approved 5 to 0.

Consent Agenda

Motion to Approve Endorsing the Annual Fall CDC/FEMA/FMS Walk/Run on Thursday May 10 from 11 AM until 1:15 PM through University Park Motion approved 5 to 0.

Department Reports

Mayor Tabori said the Town will resume street repairs and repaving work on March 26. Ward 1 will be first on the construction list. Mayor Tabori expressed his concerns about the sidewalk work the Maryland State Highway Administration (SHA) is doing on Route 1 from Town Hall to Guilford Drive. The purported reason for doing this sidewalk work is ADA compliance. ADA compliance cannot be fully accomplished along this strip because of the telephone poles placed in the center of the sidewalks. Mayor Tabori pointed out that the Town invested significant monies in making sure appearance of the sidewalks, including the brickwork, improved the appearance of the U.S. Route 1 corridor.

CM Carey asked Attorney Suellen Ferguson for assistance in drafting legislation related to the height of garages. Attorney Ferguson discussed this matter with CM Carey. She explained that the determination of whether or not legislation can be written depends on whether or not this is a zoning issue or a building code matter. The Town has limited oversight or control over zoning. Zoning falls under the purview of the County. Attorney Ferguson will report back to the Council on the feasibility of the legislation being requested by CM Carey.

Town Treasurer Dan Baden said he is working on the Fiscal Year 2013 budget, which will be presented to Council for review on March 31, 2013.

Mayor Tabori briefly reviewed the main sources of income for the Town from 1977-2011. These include

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property taxes, personal property taxes, state income taxes and penalties and interest. He described the year-to-year growth in University Park property tax revenue versus the U.S. gross domestic product. Mayor Tabori expressed concern about the future and recommended that the Town create a committee to look at long-term planning and projects. Mayor Tabori said there would be one more fiscal year where tax increases were not anticipated.

New Business

More information on the bills listed below can be found at: <http://mlis.state.md.us>

Attorney Ferguson said that no municipalities were included in these bills. There is a discussion around removing the local public, educational and governmental (PEG) and cable fees from this study, and including municipalities in the study. The Maryland Municipal League has come out in opposition to these bills.

House Bill 563

Synopsis: Establishing the Telecommunications Tax Reform Commission; providing for the composition, chair and staffing of the Commission; prohibiting a member of the Commission from receiving specified compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of specified expenses; requiring the Commission to assess the feasibility and fiscal implications of a competitively neutral telecommunications tax and fee system that eliminates the disparate treatment of similar telecommunications service providers, etc.

Senate Bill 567

Synopsis: Establishing the Telecommunications Tax Reform Commission; providing for the composition, chair and staffing of the Commission; prohibiting a member of the Commission from receiving specified compensation, but authorizing the reimbursement of specified expenses; requiring the Commission to assess the feasibility and fiscal implications of a competitively neutral telecommunications tax and fee system that eliminates the disparate treatment of similar telecommunications service providers; etc.

Motion to Authorize the Mayor of University Park to Write a Very, Very Strong Letter to the House and Senate Members of the Maryland State Legislature in Opposition to House Bill 563 and Senate Bill 567 Motion approved 5 to 0.

Executive Session Called to Consult with Counsel on a Legal Matter *Motion to Approve Closing the Meeting to Consult with Counsel on a Legal Matter* Motion approved 5 to 0.

The public meeting adjourned at 9:45 PM.



April 2 Council Meeting Highlights

Present were Mayor Tabori; Council Members Brosch, Gekas, McPherson, Cron, Carey, Sorensen, Bradley Chacón.

Approval Of The Agenda

CM Brosch asked to add a discussion on the use of money received from the Cafritz developers for legal fees. Mayor Tabori ruled that this item was out of order at this time, as we do not know the outcome of District Council's decision. The District Council is not scheduled to meet until April 11, so a discussion of this topic is premature. Mayor Tabori recommended adding this topic to the agenda for the first Council meeting in May and CM Brosch agreed.

Official Swearing In Of Council Member-Elect By The Mayor

Heidi A. Sorensen, Ward 5 Council Member

Public Comment

Ms. Linda Verrill, a resident of Van Buren Street, said there was discussion in the community about recent break-ins. She asked what the next steps would be after the security consultants' presentation at the previous Council meeting. Mayor Tabori said there is police coordination taking place among the surrounding municipalities. A public safety forum is being planned for University Park. He added that the extent of the problem was geographically broad, affecting communities along the Route 1 corridor and throughout the county. He recommended that residents remove all their valuables from their cars and leave the empty glove compartment door open, to show there was nothing of value in the car. Mayor Tabori emphasized that residents should not leave any electronics or spare change in their vehicles.

Mayor Tabori said that if residents observe someone or something suspicious, take a good description of the

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person(s) and notify the police by immediately calling 911. Mayor Tabori said that there are up to 4 officers on patrol in University Park at any one time. Ms. Verrill asked if the Town was considering using or acting on any other aspects of the security presentation. Mayor Tabori said this is partly a budget discussion and partly a discussion in the Public Safety Committee.

CM Carey raised a point about the circulator bus. He said that the local municipalities need to start considering this initiative.

Permits

Application to Erect a Shed, 6601 Queens Chapel Road Applicant addressed the Council and the Mayor to answer questions about his permit application. CM McPherson raised a concern about the lack of a plat with the application. Applicant said the shed will be located 15 feet from the side of the property and 21 feet from the rear property line. The Council member briefly discussed lot coverage, which cannot be calculated since no plat is available. Mayor Tabori recommended a provisional approval, with the conditions that a plat be provided, indicating the location of the shed. Motion to approve the application to erect an 8'x10'x 7' wood shed located at 6601 Queens Chapel Road, with the conditions that a plat be provided to Town Hall, with the location of the shed indicated and that adjacent neighbors be notified. Motion approved 7 to 0.

Application for Kitchen Renovation with Bay Window Addition and Replace/Repair Plumbing in Existing Bathroom, 4312 Sheridan Street Applicant addressed the Council and the Mayor, to answer questions about her permit application. She said the new siding will match the existing siding. Motion to approve the application to renovate the kitchen including a 2'x7'x10' bay window addition and replace/repair plumbing in existing bathroom located at 4312 Sheridan Street. Motion approved 7 to 0.

Department Reports

Mayor Tabori said that on April 11 he will take the letter he wrote to the District Council hearing on the Cafritz development and testify on behalf of University Park. There will be a briefing on the rules of the hearing at 9:30 AM and the hearing itself will begin at 10 AM.

Street repair work has begun in Ward 1, with Wards 3, 5

and 4 to follow. Concrete work will take place through June; the asphalt work will take place in July and August when school is not in session. The current speed humps will be made permanent. All of the issues that have been raised by Town residents about the previous concrete work are being reviewed by the Town Engineer. Mayor Tabori said that any traffic studies will need to be completed by May 1, to make sure we have the maximum traffic flow from the elementary school included.

New Business

Legislative Resolution 12-O-04: Fiscal 2013 Budget. Introduction Motion to Approve the Introduction of Legislation Resolution 12-O-04: Fiscal 2013 Budget Motion approved 7 to 0.

Mayor Tabori and the Council reviewed the budget package in detail. Mayor Tabori said that principal debt should never exceed 60% of the annual revenue, as a rule of thumb and the proposed budget maintained that standard. The other rule of thumb is that 25% of the Town's funds be kept in liquid accounts, which is a practice the Town observes.

Motion to Enter into Executive Session to Discuss Contracts and Personnel Matters Motion approved 7 to 0.

The public meeting adjourned at 9:50 PM.

Lost Pet Database

To register your pet and report a lost or found pet, contact Linda Verrill at 301-927-6743 or linda_verrill@yahoo.com. Have your pets wear their tags or a microchip at all times so they can be identified. If you find or spot a loose animal, please call or email Linda Verrill.



To have your pet added to the database, please provide: your name, address, e-mail addresses, all of your phone numbers; as well as the name and contact info of a second person to contact (e.g., friend, neighbor or nearby relative); name of your pet, species, breed, color, markings, age, weight.

TOWN NEWS & EVENTS

Town Teen Workers List

The following young residents are interested in finding summer jobs around our Town. Please save this list and call them if you need any of the services they are offering. If you are a teen with a service, watch for an announcement regarding the fall-winter listing in the October 2012 newsletter.

Nick Spears, 16, 240-676-6856, Ward 1, nick.spears1995@gmail.com, pet sitting, baby sitting, lawn mowing, basketball and golf coaching

Franny Ashcraft, 17, 301-832-4279 or 301-832-4279, Ward 1, f.c.ashcraft@gmail.com, babysitting (all ages), pet sitting, house sitting

Riley Fink, 20, 240-353-1016, Ward 2, finkrm@smcm.edu, lawn mowing, yard work, heavy lifting

Juan-Manuel Pinzon, 16, 240-274-5031, Ward 2, juan.pinzon96@gmail.com, pet care, baby sitting

Michelle Williams, 18, 240-688-8346 or 301-699-8112, Ward 2, oranges.fall.from.the.sky@gmail.com, 4-H certified babysitter, pet sitting, dog walking, yard work

Max Janzen, 12, 301-277-8268, Ward 2, chiefaardvark@gmail.com, dog/cat walking/sitting

Andrew Williams, 15, 301-789-8346 or 301-699-8112, Ward 2, inopolo@gmail.com, yard work, pet sitting, odd jobs

Ellen Baugher, 16, 301-403-1336, Ward 3, ellenbaugher@gmail.com, pet sitting, baby sitting (Red Cross certified)

Hannah Garrison, 301-864-2468 or 301-221-0048, Ward 3, westies4ever@yahoo.com, babysitting

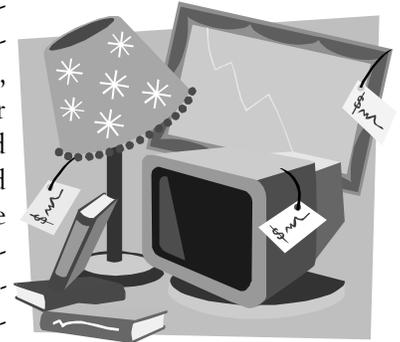
Mitchell Moore, 14, 301-699-0206, Ward 3, animal care/dog walking, lawn mowing and babysitting

Molly Moore, 12, 301-699-0206, Ward 3, animal care/dog walking and mom's helper

UPCA Town-wide Yard Sale

Saturday, May 5, 9 AM-2 PM

If you're looking to declutter your attic, basement or spare room, mark your calendar for the Town-wide Yard Sale. Ellen Jasinski and Lynn Desautels are coordinating the collection of participant addresses and the advertising and publicity to



bring lots of yard sale shoppers to town that day. Information will be posted on the UP listserv. If you have suggestions for ways to advertise feel free to contact Lynn at doctord@kokikai.org or Ellen at ellen_jasinski@yahoo.com.

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Lily DeSantis, 18, 301-789-4858, Ward 3, lilydesantis@yahoo.com, child care, dog walking, pet sitting, house sitting, gardening, miscellaneous household tasks

Andrew DeSantis, 14, 301-779-9669, Ward 3, andydesand12@gmail.com, yard work, window washing, painting, child care, pet sitting and other household jobs

Nora Stewart, 13, 301-209-7341, Ward 4, nora.stewart@gmail.com, mother's-helper, pet sitting

Calee Hayes, 15, 301-910-2660, Ward 4, caleehayes@gmail.com, pet sitting and dog walking

Max Morgan, 13, 301-222-3513, Ward-4, hockeyboy1398@yahoo.com, yard work; lawn mowing

Nicolas Ruth, 301-789-4940, Ward 6, yard work

Montana Monardes, 16, 301-789-6110, Ward 6, montana.cisv@gmail.com, babysitting and pet care

Milan Monardes, 13, 301-789-6348, Ward 6, zebragal98@gmail.com, babysitting, pet sitting

Elan Markel, 14, 240-344-9055, willing to work in all wards, elanmarkel1289@gmail.com, car washing, yard work, dog walking

UP Civic Association News

The UP Civic Association has been meeting regularly, alternating with a UPCA Social at a member's home, which is an enjoyable and informal way to get to know neighbors. We were pleased to roll out our brand new website recently, so please check it out at upcivicassoocia-tion.com. It has information about all the events we are planning for the entire year, and as more details about individual events are formulated, the specifics will be posted on the website.

PayPal® We hope you will use the website to pay your annual supporting contribution of \$25 via PayPal. You can use either a credit card or debit card via the PayPal link on our website. The membership form that you will be asked to complete is also available on the website. If you prefer to write a check and mail it to our treasurer, the treasurer's address is listed, and the membership form can be printed and mailed with your payment.

Our new website will have a selection of photos from prior events. If you have nice photos from a UPCA event, please send them to Carol Cron with a brief description of the event. Don't forget the Townwide Yard Sale on Saturday, May 5 from 9 AM to 2 PM. We thank the people who have signed up to hold a yard sale for ensuring their 2012 UPCA membership is up to date. Finally, please circle the fourth Tuesday in May for our next UPCA meeting at Riverdale Presbyterian Church.

Woman's Club Highlights Education

Monday, May 7, 11:30 AM

This month's UPWC program will highlight education, one of the target areas of women's clubs internationally. Nancy Schickner, principal at UP Elementary will talk about the challenges facing the school and how the Woman's Club and the school might build a stronger partnership to enhance student outcomes. UPWC has been a longtime supporter of the school and the PTA. Michelle Wedge, education program chair, will introduce the speaker.

The meeting begins with fellowship at 11:30 AM at Riverdale Presbyterian. Lunch is served at 12 Noon and the program begins at 12:30 PM. Guests are welcome to visit club meetings; however, they are asked to make a reservation by calling Anna-Mae Kobbe at 301-277-0414.

Riverdale Presbyterian Church ReKindles

Riverdale Presbyterian Church on Queens Chapel Road invites the community to its new, music-based service called reKindle. Led by Pastor Loril Hawk, reKindle has music by the praise band Highest Point, directed by Kevin Bennear, who is also a vocalist for the President's Own United States Marine Band. ReKindle is more casual, more interactive and filled with music of all kinds. ReKindle began as part of Pastor Loril's vision for RPC's future. After months of research, planning and action by the church membership, reKindle was born.

Our traditional service with classic hymns and music now begins at 9:30 AM. At 10:30 AM, join us for Starbucks coffee and conversation in the sanctuary, plus Sunday school for children ages 4 through high school. ReKindle begins at 11:15 AM. Nursery care is provided starting at 9:30 AM.

We hope you'll join us for this exciting new chapter in the life of Riverdale Presbyterian Church.

Wednesday Night Live continues in May with simple suppers 6:30-7 PM (pizza, salad and special desserts) and programs for children (4-12), teens and adults. We will explore the holiness of enjoying activities together, by offering a Bible study on a fun theme in addition to:

May 2: Gentle Yoga with Mary Shelley for adults, art and kickball for children

May 9: Gentle Yoga for beginners with Sheree Mullen for adults, art and games for children

May 16: Laughing Yoga with Inessa Love for the whole family

May 23: Bowling at AMF in College Park for everyone!

Please let us know if you will join us for this free program so that we can count on you by contacting us through www.rivpres.com or by phone 301-927-0477.

After 8 Book Group

Tuesday, May 15

The After 8 Book Group, which is open to all town residents, meets the 3rd Tuesday of each month. The May selection is Jack Finney's *Time and Again*. For more info on the group, please call Laura Donnelly at 301-927-6550.

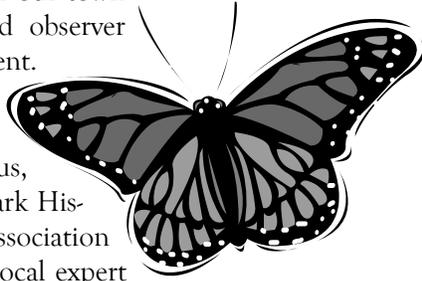


Way Stations for Monarch Butterflies

Thursday, May 17, 7:30–9 PM

The natural history of our town rewards the informed observer with endless enjoyment.

To increase your appreciation of the wonders around us, join the University Park Historic Preservation Association when we welcome a local expert



in native butterflies. Entomologist and science writer Rick Borchelt will present "Disappearing Butterflies of Maryland-And How You Can Help" at our mid-spring meeting. In a very timely conversation, Rick will discuss some of the perils these critical native pollinators face and provide some tips on butterfly gardening. Participants will leave knowing what monarch way stations are and how we can create them. Be the first on your street to have one! We will meet in the library of the Church of the Brethren at the corner of Tuckerman and Route 1. All town residents are welcome at UPHPA meetings. Write urbanipm@gmail.com or call Chris Garcia at 301-699-9124 for more information.

Vacation Bible School

Plan now for Vacation Bible School during the week of June 25-29. This summer University Baptist Church and Riverdale Presbyterian Church combine forces to offer quality free VBS from 9 AM to Noon at UBC and Noon to 3PM at RPC, Monday-Friday for ages 5-12. Plans for aftercare/camps until 4:30 PM and registration information to follow at www.rivpres.org and www.weareubc.org.

Explore the Route 1 Corridor by Bus

Route 1 is experiencing a renaissance and the Route 1 Ride (TheBus 17) can take you to every part of it. The Route 1 Ride goes from Mount Rainier to IKEA and comes every 30 minutes to a bus stop near you. Avoid the hassles of traffic and parking, get there quickly and inexpensively by taking the Route 1 Ride. Find out more at www.route1ride.com or visit your local town hall for more information.



Longevity Awards Ceremony

Saturday, June 16, 3–4:30 PM

The Mayor and Town Council and three of University Park's civic organizations, the Women's Club, the Civic Association, and the Historical Preservation Society, will host the Longevity Awards Ceremony at Riverdale Presbyterian Church (Custis Hall). All town residents are invited to this awards presentation when five members of the police and public works staff will be publicly recognized for their long service to our town which spans from 20 to 43 years. These men have each contributed to making University Park the special place it is and we will have the opportunity to thank them. The short awards ceremony will be followed by refreshments.

Great Decisions 2012



Town residents, friends and others are invited to join this discussion series offered by the Foreign Policy Association (FPA). The FPA is an independent, non-governmental, non-partisan organization that promotes foreign policy education. The group meets bi-monthly on the 2nd & 4th

Thursdays from 7:30-9 PM at Church of the Brethren. For more information and a copy of the discussion materials (\$20), contact Maxie Phillips at 301-927-0857.

State Of The Oceans: Waves Of Change *May 10* The world's oceans are essential to life on earth and are tremendously sensitive to global climate change. What are the consequences of climate change on oceanic factors like biodiversity, sea levels and extreme weather systems? How can the U.S. and its international partners address the emerging challenges to this shared resource?

Indonesia: Prospects for Prosperity *May 24* Having emerged from authoritarianism in the last 15 years, Indonesia has made remarkable strides politically, economically and socially. Yet the new, democratic Indonesia is still a developing country facing considerable challenges. How can Indonesia continue its path of growth, reform and prosperity? What is Indonesia's role in the global community?

Energy Geopolitics: Quandaries Intensify *June 14* will be our final discussion in this series.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR



Events take place at Riversdale House Museum, 4811 Riverdale Road in the town of Riverdale Park, Maryland. Call 301-864-0420 or email riversdale@pgparks.com for more information.

Mother's Day Tours Sunday, May 13 Rosalie Stier Calvert bore nine children during her life at Riversdale. Five of these children lived to adulthood, including Charles Benedict Calvert, founder of the University of Maryland. Celebrate the special mothers, mothers-in-law, grandmothers, and other ladies in your life with a free guided tour of the historic house on Mother's Day! Visitors will also be able to enjoy a Seasonal Selections cooking demonstration in the dependency kitchen. Members of the Riversdale Kitchen Guild will be preparing various Mother's Day Delights from noon-3:30 PM.

This offer is limited to one free tour per paid admission. \$3 adults/\$2 seniors/\$1 students/FREE children 4 & under.

Hands-On History: Star-Spangled Summer Days Monday, June 25-Friday, June 29, 10 AM-Noon "O say can you see!" all the fun you'll have? Step back in time and experience the War of 1812 at Riversdale House Museum! Children ages 5-8 are invited to kick-off the War of 1812 Bicentennial with Star-Spangled Summer Days. Experience the lives of soldiers and sailors, the Calvert family and First Lady Dolley Madison through activities, crafts and games highlighting the War of 1812. \$15/day or \$65/all 5 days for residents; \$18/day or \$78/all 5 days non-residents. Capacity is limited. Advanced registration and payment are required by June 6. Please note the program may sell out before this date.

First Annual Bostwick May Festival Sunday, May 6, 1-4 PM Join Maryland Milestones/ATHA Inc. at the First Annual Bostwick May Festival. Take a step back in time to the eve of the War of 1812 with 1800s music-caribbean drums, gospel choir and classical songs. Children's games, farm animals, trade and craft demonstrations, food (old time favorites, barbeque and Native American food) and heirloom plant and craft sale. Browse the May Basket competition entries, take a springtime walk and let the kids play! Free admission. For more info, call 301-887-0777 or visit www.battleofbladensburg1812.org.

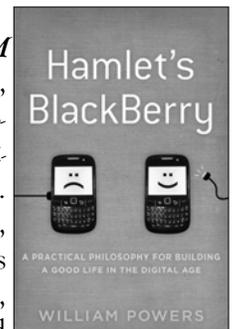


The Berwyn Concert Series, Saturday, May 12, 7 PM Joined by Ukrainian pianist Alexei Ulitin, nationally known cellist Jonathan Aaron Cain appears in a concert that will include Ludwig van Beethoven's last sonata for cello and piano, Paul Hindemith's Solo Cello Sonata, Op.25, No.3 and the Sonata for Cello and Piano in D minor, Op. 40 by Dmitri Shostakovich. Free, donations are welcome. Berwyn Presbyterian Church, 6301 Greenbelt Rd

Hyattsville Library HiLi Book

Discussion, Saturday, May 19, 3 PM

The May selection is William Powers, *Hamlet's BlackBerry: A Practical Philosophy for Building a Good Life in the Digital Age*. Always connected. Anytime. Anyplace. We know it's a blessing, but we're starting to notice that it's also a curse. In *Hamlet's BlackBerry*, William Powers helps us understand what being connected disconnects us from, and offers wise advice about what we can do about it. Upper Level Meeting Room.



COMMUNITY CALENDAR

College Park Arts Exchange

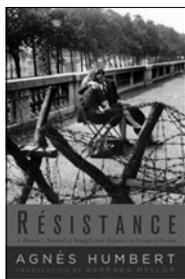
All events are free and take place at the Old Parish House, 4711 Knox Road, College Park, unless otherwise noted. Parking passes are available. Contact info@cpae.org or 301-927-3013 for more information.

Coffeehouse Concert, Thursday, May 10, 8 PM Hope for Agoldensummer is an anarchist-soul-choir. For nearly a decade, sisters Claire & Paige Campbell have traveled the country creating rusty, gutter angel melodies with a slide guitar, banjo, jangly percussion, glockenspiel, singing saw, piano and a few old coke bottles. Free with \$5-\$10 requested donations for the artists. All ages. Old Parish House, 4711 Knox Road, College Park. Contact info@cpae.org or 301-927-3013 for more information.

Arts Drop-In Energetic art teacher Aaron Springer leads children through a variety of materials and projects in this fun, free, exploratory arts hour. In May celebrate the growing season and make an earthy mosaic out of the many colors and shapes of beans! **Sunday, May 13, 2-4 PM** at 4711 Knox Road, corner of Knox and Dartmouth, College Park, near Metro. **Saturday, May 12 10 AM-Noon** at College Park Community Center, 5101 Pierce Avenue, near Paint Branch Elementary off Lakeland Road.

The Underexposed Photo Club

Like photography? Want to meet some great people who share your love of photography? Come to "The Underexposed" College Park photo club for a fun, social, and photography filled time. We meet alongside Book Club on third Fridays at 7:30-9 PM, Old Parish House, 4711 Knox Road, College Park, the next dates are May 18 and June 15.



CPAE Book Club **May 18** selection is *Résistance* by Agnès Humbert. **June 15** selection is *Cleopatra: A Life* by Stacy Schiff. The CPAE Book Club is a monthly get-together with lively conversation in a fun, casual setting. We choose our titles by voting on member suggestions~ if you know of some great non-fiction by women, drop us a note! Third Friday evenings (usually) at 7:30-9 PM at Old Parish House, 4711 Knox Road, College Park.

Farmers Markets Open Across the County

Here's a quick summary of the many markets that are now open or will open in May. As you run errands or head home from work, you may want to explore these. Clip and keep it hand in your glove box.



American Market at National Harbor
Waterfront Street & Fleet Street (Across from Gaylord National Resort & Convention Center)
Saturday, 10 AM-2 PM May-October

Bowie Farmers' Market
15200 Annapolis Road
Adjacent to Bowie Center for the Performing Arts
Sunday, 8 AM-Noon May-October

Cheverly Community Market
6401 Forest Rd.
at the Community Center
Every other Saturday, 9 AM-12 PM May 19-October 20
Thanksgiving market, November 17
Holiday Market, December 8

College Park Farmers' Market
5211 Paint Branch Parkway
Parking lot of Wells Ice Rink/Linson Swimming Pool
Saturday, 7 AM-Noon May-October

Greenbelt Farmers' Market
Parking lot of Roosevelt Center, Crescent Road at Southway
Sunday, 10 AM-2 PM May 13-November

Hyattsville Farmers' Market at Queens Chapel Town Center
Corner of Queens Chapel Road and Hamilton St. (behind shopping center)
Tuesday, 2 PM-6 PM June-October

Riverdale Park Farmers' Market
MARC Rail Station Parking Lot
4650 Queensbury Rd.
Thursday, 3 PM-7 PM April 5-November 15

USDA (Beltsville) Farmers' Market
5601 Sunnyside Ave., Parking Lot B
Thursday, 10 AM-2 PM May-September

TOWN NOTICE

AN ELECTION FOR THE

Town of University Park for the



**Office of Mayor, and Offices of Council Member for
Wards One, Three, and Seven**

will be conducted on

TUESDAY, MAY 1, 2012, 8 AM-8 PM

Riverdale Presbyterian Church, 6513 Queens Chapel Road

REGISTER TO VOTE Residents may register to vote at Town Hall, 6724 Baltimore Avenue, University Park, MD 20782, 301-927-4262, Mon.-Fri. 9 AM-5 PM or with Prince George's County Board of Elections, 16201 Trade Zone Avenue, Suite 108, Upper Marlboro, MD 20774, Monday-Friday, 8 AM-4:30 PM, Telephone: 301-430-8020, (TDD 301-627-3352). Residents may download the voter registration form at the following address http://www.elections.state.md.us/voter_registration/documents/2011_English_Internet_VRA.pdf

Residents wishing to vote in the upcoming election must be:

1. a citizen of the United States,
2. 18 years of age or older on the date of the Election,
3. a resident of University Park, and
4. registered to vote at least 30 days prior to the Election

CANDIDATES Candidate packets (candidate petition and financial disclosure statement) are available at Town Hall during business hours and on the Town website www.umpd.org under Elections. If residents have any questions please contact the Town office at 301-927-4262 or email TownHall@upmd.org

DEADLINE To file as a Candidate or register as a new voter the deadline is Monday, April 2, 2012

DEADLINE FOR WRITE-IN CANDIDATES Thursday, April 26, 2012



2012 Election Dates to Know

Voter Registration Reopens Monday, April 16, 2012

For more information, contact the Prince George's County Board of Elections at 301-430-8020.

FREE E-CYCLING & PAPER SHREDDING DAY

for University Park Residents

Saturday, May 19 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 back in the basement or garage. **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

May 2012



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 Town Election RPC, 8 AM-8 PM Mayor, Ward 1, 3 & 7	2	3 Recycling	4 Trash	5 Town-wide Yard Sale 9 AM-2 PM
6	7 Yard Waste UPWC 11:30 AM Town Council Cable Public Input Meeting 7:30 PM	8 Trash	9	10 Recycling Great Decisions 2012 7:30 PM	11 Trash	12
13	14 Yard Waste	15 Trash After 8 Book Group	16	17 Recycling UPHPA 7:30 PM	18 Trash	19 E-Cycling & Shredding Event 9 AM-1 PM
20	21 Yard Waste Town Council	22 Trash	23	24 Recycling Great Decisions 2012 7:30 PM	25 Trash	26
27	28 Yard Waste	29 Trash	30	31 Recycling		



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 Chief Michael Wynnyk 301-277-0051
 Mayor Tabori home 301-779-6530

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NEWSLETTER

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