

UNIVERSITY PARK NEWSLETTER

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MAYOR'S COLUMN

Two environmental projects are underway in the Town: a submerged gravel wetland and a pollinator meadow. Undertaken in partnership with other entities and at little cost beyond the commitment of Town parkland, both projects will be completed this year, leaving our immediate environment significantly improved.

In mid-February contractors for the Clean Water Partnership – a public-private partnership between Prince George's County and Corvias – began construction of a submerged gravel wetland along Wells Parkway adjacent to the new playground. Submerged gravel wetlands improve water quality by filtering sediments through a system of gravel and native plants. Construction will take 4-5 months to complete and replace a nonfunctional concrete swale and bioretention pond there. The work includes the planting of 10 varieties of native plants, totaling more than 800 plants. Seventeen trees will be re

moved during construction, and later replaced with new shade trees. The playground will receive a third length of fence on the west side, facing the submerged gravel wetland. When complete the project will filter stormwater runoff from a 2.5-acre area along nearby Wells Parkway and Beechwood Road before it enters Wells Run and the Northeast Branch of the Anacostia River, improving water quality in the troubled Anacostia. The Clean Water Partnership will pay all costs for construction and will carry out functional maintenance of the submerged gravel wetland in perpetuity. A project permit was approved by the Town Council.

In the Adelphi field area on the western edge of Town – across Adelphi Road from the intersection with Toledo Drive and the Community Center – work has begun to establish a wildflower meadow in what has been a highly visible vacant field. That field adjoins Wells Run and the

Town Meetings & Special Dates

Town Hall Needs Assessment	March 2
Town Council	March 4 & 18
Electronics Recycling & Paint Disposal Event	April 27

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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Town park and has been little-used except for pick-up soccer games. There have been proposals for its use, however, community support varied widely. The idea of putting a pollinator meadow there occurred to several residents who each shared it with Town officials. The idea found opportunity waiting in strange form of the Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission (WSSC), which was replacing the water mains along Adelphi Road, and requested use of the Adelphi field site to stage construction equipment and supplies. WSSC's subsequent agreement with the Town to use the Adelphi field site required that the disturbed area be restored, creating fertile ground for a meadow.

Town Council Member Joe Schultz and I discussed the idea of a meadow with Andy Fellows of the University of Maryland. Fellows in turn brought in the vanEngelsdorp Bee Lab, which has received a grant to establish 9 one-acre wildflower meadows in Maryland over a 3-year period, so as to create forage and habitat for polli-



nators while also increasing public awareness of pollinator decline and habitat losses. The Bee Lab team met on-site with the Town and was interested. Town Public Works Director Mickey Beall approached the Anacostia Watershed Society (AWS), who offered assistance with developing a broader concept for a University Park Pollinator Meadow adjacent to Wells Run, and also incorporating an interpretive pathway to support an educational purpose. The Bee Lab and the AWS agreed to partner with the Town to develop and present a more detailed concept to the Council in early November, and which the Council unanimously approved on November 19.

Now that WSSC use of the Adelphi field site is complete, the Town is working with the WSSC contractor and the Bee Lab to establish the meadow. The WSSC contractor will restore the area and add topsoil, the Bee Laboratory will then seed the meadow with 25 species of wildflowers supplemented with little bluestem bunchgrass. Once the meadow is established, the Town will contract for mowing it to an 8-inch height about 2-3 times annually, taking care to avoid grassland bird-nesting season from early May to mid-July. In the longer term, the pollinator meadow means less grass cutting and maintenance for the Town, increased pollinator diversity to benefit all area gardens, and a beautiful environment at a highly visible location in our community. The Town has applied for a Maryland Heritage Areas grant to enable construction of an accessible interpretive path past the meadow. While this educational element is desirable, it would also provide an accessible connection along our park paths to the amenities beyond the signalized crossing of Adelphi Road at Toledo Drive.

The submerged gravel wetland and Adelphi field meadow projects demonstrate how the Town can accomplish its objectives by pursuing the good ideas of our talented residents and seeking out organizations which share our interests to work in partnership with the Town.

—Len Carey

Do you agree or disagree? Did I miss something?

Let me know: mayorcarey@upmd.org

Notice of Introduction of Ordinance 19-O-02

On February 4, 2019, Ordinance 19-O-02 was introduced. This ordinance would amend Legislative Resolution 18-O-03, Fiscal Year 2019 Budget Ordinance, as follows:

To transfer \$14,000.00 from Unreserved – Undesignated funds to the General Government line items as follows:

Salaries	\$7,000.00
Council Retreat/Orientation	\$3,750.00
Employee Awards and Events	\$3,250.00

And to transfer \$15,000.00 from Unreserved – Designated funds to the Police Salaries line item in the Police Department.

The meeting set for March 4, 2019 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.

FROM THE CHIEF

University Park is a town where people care about each other; a town where residents place a high value on small town character and home town appeal. The men and women of the University Park Police Department (UPPD) are honored to serve and meet the needs of the community and to help maintain University Park as one of the safest communities in the county.

Policing continues to be an honorable profession, and the University Park police officers are committed to providing the highest level of public safety and community service to the residents of University Park. Members of the department work tirelessly to maintain a professional approach to law enforcement and build relationships with town residents. Moreover, we are committed to listening and working cooperatively with you to reduce community harm by addressing crime and traffic issues. Together, we can make a positive difference in the quality of life of our community and help the Town of University Park maintain its reputation as a great place to live.

In 2018 the UPPD engaged in several community activities, proactively patrolled the town and focused on community policing with the goal of providing professional police services to town residents and visitors. We are happy to report that University Park, which annually enjoys a relatively low crime rate, had a significant reduction in crime last year. This reduction is proof of what can happen when citizens and police engage and work cooperatively to build community value. Yet, with the recent success, we must guard against becoming complacent and creating a false sense of security. We must all remain vigilant and observant of any suspicious activities in and around the community. Remember: *If You See Something, Say Something*.

Since the launch of this nationwide campaign, the slogan has been posted on buses, on social media and in government literature throughout the country. Even still, citizens are often reluctant to report suspicious behaviors because they are not sure of what they are observing or may fear they are violating someone's civil rights or civil liberties. Please don't hesitate to call the police if you see something out of the ordinary. It is our responsibility to determine whether the behavior warrants investigation. Should you call the police to report suspicious behavior or activity, please describe specifically what you observed, including:

- Who or what you saw
- When you saw it
- Where it occurred, and
- Why it was suspicious

If you observe suspicious behavior call the Prince George's County Police non-emergency dispatch number at 301-352-1200. If there is an emergency or crime in progress, please call 9-1-1. A University Park police officer will respond to your location. We look forward to working with you in 2019.



Missing Juvenile On January 3 at 7:39 PM in the 6700 Block of Adelphi Road, a parent reported his 15 year old child was under the influence of marijuana and no longer wanted to follow his rules and pushed past his mother and ran out the front door. The juvenile has run away before and is listed as critical missing based on his age.

Breaking & Entering On January 8 sometime between 7 AM and 4:40 PM an unknown suspect broke into a residence in the 4000 Block of Wells Pkwy through the rear door. Numerous items were stolen from inside the home. The home was processed for fingerprints and the neighborhood was canvassed for witnesses. Prince George's County Police detectives responded to assist with the investigation. No suspect(s) was located at this time. The investigation is ongoing.

Stolen Vehicle Sometime between January 10 9:30 PM and January 11 6:30 AM, an unknown suspect stole a locked vehicle parked in a driveway in the 6700 Block of Adelphi Rd. The vehicle owner had both sets of keys and there were no signs of how the suspect(s) stole the vehicle. The investigation is ongoing.

Theft from Auto Between January 19-22 someone entered an unlocked vehicle parked in the 4700 Block of Queens Chapel Road and stole a knife. No suspect(s) was located at this time. The investigation is ongoing.

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Unattended Death On January 22 at 11 AM, a family member discovered a male relative deceased in the basement of a house in the 4200 Block of East-West Hwy. Prince George's County Police Homicide responded and determined the death was not caused by foul play and closed the case. The family clergy was notified and responded to assist.

Public Workshop: Town Hall Needs Assessment

Saturday, March 2 from 2-5 PM

The Mayor and Council invite you to a workshop at the Town Hall to explore current and future public uses of the Town Hall site. Architects Mike and Loree Arnold will conduct a brief tour of the existing Town Hall and



brainstorm with attendees to develop a detailed list of public uses for the Town Hall site. Town residents and key members of town civic groups are encouraged to attend at Town Hall, 6724 Baltimore Ave.

Helping Hands University Park

As spring and tax day approach, it's time to gather necessary papers and make spring plans. If you need an excuse to get out of the house, take a friend and celebrate Pi Day on March 14, National Pizza Day on the 21st or National Hot Dog Day on the 30th. Or throw a birthday party for Dr. Seuss, born March 2, 1904. March is a great time to shake off the winter blahs and start exercising again. Enjoy a brisk walk with the HHUP Walking Club, consider joining the free exercise classes at the Maryland-National Capital Area Park and Planning Commission's Prince George's Plaza Community Center, or join others at Saturday morning gentle yoga classes at the Parish House in College Park. Make a date with a friend, get some exercise and then go out and have green eggs and ham in honor of Dr. Seuss.

Upcoming Events

Reception Cancelled: Sunday March 10, 3 PM - SPOT-LIGHT: School of Music Showcase and HHUP Reception at The Clarice. Anyone may attend this concert, but The Clarice is unable to reserve seats or provide reception space and refreshments. Please see March 31 concert below.

Wednesday, March 20, 12 PM HHUP Lunch Club members and volunteers are invited to come buy lunch and sit with fellow HHUPers. This month we are meeting at Burton's Grill. Please RSVP: 301-892-6636 or HHUniversityPark@gmail.com

Sunday, March 31, 3 PM The Left Bank Quartet-Polish Revival From Beyond the Border and HHUP Reception at The Clarice. The Left Bank Quartet presents the music of 20th and 21st century Polish composers, familiar and unknown. The program is balanced by Beethoven's masterful Great Fugue. This event is part of the Year of Immigration, which aims to transform dialogue into impact on urgent issues related to immigration, global migration and refugees, and to foster open conversation and greater connection with the University of Maryland's large and diverse international community. HHUP Questions? Need a ride? RSVP by calling 301-892-6636 or emailing HHUniversityPark@gmail.com

Wednesday, April 3, 2-4 PM HHUP Coffee & Crafts. We'll meet at the home of HHUPER Diane Teichert to socialize while working on any kind of craft project (e.g. knitting, embroidery, drawing). Please RSVP: 301-892-6636 or HHUniversityPark@gmail.com-you'll get Diane's address when you RSVP.

Saturday, April 13th 5-6:30 PM 5@55: 5 Documents Everyone Needs to Have by Age 55. Our next shared lecture with an attorney from Byrd & Byrd who will talk about 5 documents needed by age 55. This will precede the annual May 1 Senior Law Day, when we will once again partner with Hyattsville Aging in Place and have attorneys help seniors complete a simple Will and Advance Directive at no cost. Invite your friends. University Park Church of the Brethren, 4413 Tuckerman St, University Park, MD 20782.

Wednesday, April 17, 12 PM HHUP Lunch Club members and volunteers are invited to come buy lunch and sit with fellow HHUPers. Please RSVP: 301-892-6636 or HHUniversityPark@gmail.com

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Have you checked our HHUP website lately? At helpinghandsup.org you can see upcoming events, fill out a volunteer or member application, and stay up-to-date on all HHUP happenings.

Tree Committee News

Tremendous University Park

March is the best time to plant woody plants during the spring season. You may plant as soon as the ground thaws. Help bolster the town's tree canopy at potentially no cost to you by leveraging the town's expanded Tree Reimbursement program which now provides reimbursement for approved understory trees in addition to the existing approved shade trees. Receive \$300 for planting an approved shade tree or \$100 for an approved understory tree. Details online under Public Works at upmd.org.

Volunteer for the Ivy League, March 9, 1-3 PM The Ivy League will commence its 8th year on Saturday. If you made a resolution on New Year's Day to give back to the town, here's your opportunity. For two hours you'll help remove ivy from town trees, safeguard UP's tree canopy, get some outdoor exercise and have a chance to meet some neighbors. This month we'll meet on the Henson Green, at intersection of Queens Chapel and Sheridan. Bring garden clippers and a small prying tool (large screwdriver, dandelion weeder, or sturdy trowel).

-Chris Aubry, on behalf of the Committee for Trees, Parks and Environment, TreeComm@UPMD.org

January 14 Council Meeting Highlights

Present were Mayor Carey; Councilmembers (CM) Brosch, Schultz, Morrissey, Verrill, Wells, Stephen. Excused: Caskey.

Permits

Motion: To approve the request for a building permit to enclose 8' x 16.5' screened porch located at 6404 40th Avenue. Motion approved 6 to 0.

Motion: To approve Special Utility Permits for Pepco SP-2018-06 and SP-2018-07 to remove and to prune trees listed in Appendix A from the Town right-of-way as itemized on the permits and with the conditions as proposed. Motion approved 6 to 0. Note: Mr. Beall agreed to send a letter to homeowners where tree removal will take place in the Town's right-of-way.

Public Comment

A resident asked about the permitting process for the soccer field. Mayor Carey was asked how many permits are currently issued for the soccer field. Mayor Carey said that he will get back to him with the answer.

Continuing Business

Motion: To adopt emergency LR 2019-O-01 to provide for certain standards and regulations relating to the location of small cell wireless/DAS telecommunications towers, antennas, and other structures within the Town's public rights-of-way or on Town property, consistent with federal and state law, and provide a fee, penalty and annual charge and to include minor changes made and the amendments provided by the Town Attorney. The earliest date this motion may be considered for passage is January 14, 2019. Motion approved 6 to 0.

New Business

Motion: To support the "Welcoming Town" concepts as recommended by the Policy, Rules and Municipal Structure Committee and previously discussed by Council and to direct the Town Attorney to identify the appropriate various sections of the Town Code, Personnel Manual and General Orders Manual which would require revision to reflect the "Welcoming Town" concepts and present them to the Council.

"Welcoming Town" Concepts:

- **Town Officials, Employees, or Agents shall:** Not inquire about; act in any way based upon; keep any information on file; or use documents or forms that have a place for people to declare citizenship, immigration, national origin, or religious status. Not spend-or agree to spend-Town funds or resources to enforce federal immigration operations or activities.
- **Additionally, the Town Police may not:** Detain or arrest anyone based on known or suspected immigration status; use immigration status as an interrogation tool or tactic; convey the immigration status of anyone to any federal entity without a warrant signed by a federal judge or federal magistrate.

Motion: To support the "Welcoming Town" concepts as recommended by the Policy, Rules and Municipal Structure Committee and previously discussed by Council and to direct the Town Attorney to identify the appropriate various sections of the Town Code, Personnel Manual and General Orders Manual which

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would require revision to reflect the “Welcoming Town” concepts, including exceptions which must be made, and present them to the Council. Motion approved 6 to 0.

Public Comment

- Would like to speak up and defend her neighbors and say, “these are the people we know and trust and want here.”
- It is important as a Town to make a statement that everybody who lives in the community should have a voice and this motion will go a long way to doing that.
- This motion is a measured step toward enactment of policy. Encouraged Council to act on this motion immediately rather than waiting until March.
- The Charter had been changed in the past, but it has been very slow. Make this change “loud” and let people know what is happening and they will support it.
- This is a public safety concern and he would like to wait until March before approving this motion. He would like to add to the 3rd bullet under the Town Police policy: ...signed by a federal and state judge or federal and state magistrate. He would like to add an additional bullet which reads: The police may ask for state identification.
- Chief Baker stated the only reason a police officer would ask for immigration papers would be if that person is applying for a police officer position.
- A Councilmember said that some of the impetus for these kinds of policies is because of what is going on at the federal level and other jurisdictions. This is a preemptive documentation that in case the federal government wants to use University Park’s police department as an agent, if this motion is approved, University Park could say that they cannot cooperate because it’s against the Town’s policy.
- There is a reason not to put into Town law a restatement of State law. University Park is created under State law, the first sentence of the enabling legislation says, “they’re created under and must follow State law.”
- The spirit of this initiative is to make all the residents feel safe regardless of immigration status, gender, race, nationality or religion. We just want everybody to feel safe and not afraid to interact with the community.
- As an immigrant, you are one of the most vulnerable people whether or not you have a green card, visa and certainly if you are undocumented and University Park should not be wanting those neighbors to feel vulnerable and threatened.

- Often undocumented immigrants are victimized because they don’t come forward.
- In support of this motion and hopes that action can be taken on this today or very soon.
- Encourages the Council to move with speed on passing this motion.
- It would be horrifying to require University Park residents to carry identification. The language that is in the state law is sufficient.
- CM Verrill asked Chief Baker how he feels if the following was codified in the General Orders Manual: “the Town Police may not use immigration status as an interrogation tool or tactic.” Chief Baker responded by saying that’s not a problem. The problem comes if you say that the police can’t arrest somebody or enforce the law, then that would become an issue.
- Chief Baker was asked, if this motion is moved forward, would it make our community safer or less safe? Chief Baker responded by saying it will make our community safer. It is a better community when everybody is included.
- A Councilmember suggested asking the Town Attorney to review the suggested bullets and to provide a list of what needs to be fixed and her recommendations of what would need to be changed in the Code, the Personnel Manual and the General Orders Manual.
- A Councilmember suggested that the Town Attorney list which exceptions have to be carved out.

Mayor’s Report

- Mayor Carey will be attending the next Maryland Mayor’s Association Meeting scheduled for January 31-February 1 in Annapolis. He has asked the Maryland Municipal League to hold a workshop on 5G, small cell technology.
- He commended the work of the staff at Town Hall during leaf season and the most recent snowstorm.
- Mayor Carey met with the consultants who are working on the Town operations and management study. The survey results are in and the next step is the focus groups, which will take place at City Hall in College Park. With questions about the scheduling of this study, CM Stephen asked that Mayor Carey circulate the scope of work.
- On Monday, January 21, Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday, the 22nd Legislative District Delegation will be held in Annapolis. Those interested are welcome to attend.

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Council and Committee Reports

Police, Traffic and Public Safety Committee Next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, January 16.

Sustainability Committee Next meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 21.

Town Clerk Andrea Marcavitch

- Ms. Marcavitch recently rode with the Town bus to get a feel for the schedule, the route and to get feedback from the drivers and Town residents.
- She has familiarized herself with the phone system and is able to update the Town Bus Status Recording line from home during inclement weather as necessary.
- The Town is considering the possibility of using an app by a company named System Riders. This will allow residents to track the Town Bus from their cell phones or the Town website.
- She encouraged Councilmembers and residents to call the Town Bus Status line or check the Town website for updated schedules, especially during the winter season and to sign up for weather alerts.
- Ms. Marcavitch gave a presentation demonstrating the new online Town Charter and Code with General Code on the Town's website. The Charter and Code are now easy to search and navigate.
- On Monday, January 21, Town Hall will be closed and there will be no Town Bus service in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

Chief of Police Baker Distributed the January 1-14, 2019 Crime Report. There is a vacancy for a police officer position. Information and an application can be found on the Town website. The closing date for applications is January 28, 2019.

Town Treasurer Dan Baden The December 2018 Treasurer's Report was distributed.

Director of Public Works Michael Beall

- With some minor issues with machinery and weather, leaf collection is done, amounting to approximately 355 tons.
- Mr. Beall commended his crew with the excellent job in snow removal throughout Town over the weekend.
- The Adelphi Road Water Main Project is winding down. The contractor will restore the area that they are occupying and they have agreed to restore the areas they did not use. At the completion of this project, Anacostia Watershed Society will begin the process of preparing the Adelphi field for a native meadow.

▪In reference to the College Heights Estates Water Main Project, the work in Town will be done by the end of January with the exception of Van Buren Street, the connections of the main on Queens Chapel and Baltimore Avenue and in front of University Park Elementary School. The plan is to complete the entire project during spring break.

▪The Prince George's County Stormwater Project at Wells Parkway, next to the playground will begin in early February and will be completed in approximately four months.

▪The first of the approvals for the Van Buren/Beechwood bridges were received from Prince George's County DPIE. Mr. Beall said that all of the other requirements still have to be met and reviews have to be done.

▪CM Verrill expressed her appreciation to the Public Works Department for the quick, very thorough road clearing after the recent snow storm.

▪CM Wells said that the leaf collection project was exceptional this year and how clean the Town looks.

▪Mr. Beall informed the Council that his staff worked some Saturdays to collect leaves due to losing workdays because of the weather. Although there was overtime pay, there was a savings from not bringing in temporary workers. Mr. Beall anticipates that the savings in overtime this year was somewhere between \$20,000 and \$27,000.

▪In reference to the plans for a drinking water fountain at the playground, WSSC contractors agreed to install the rough-in and make a donation of \$3,000. In order to complete this project, it will cost the Town approximately \$10,000 to \$15,000. Mayor Carey said he will come back with a plan for the playground water fountain in the budget.

▪Mayor Carey said that several other nearby municipalities were closed or behind schedule on January 14 due to the weekend snowstorm, while University Park was fully open and operating. He complimented the University Park staff (Public Works, Police and Town Clerk) for a tremendously good job in opening and operating the Town as scheduled.

▪A Councilmember expressed concern about the amount of cars left on the street during the snowstorm, especially after being asked to move the cars to allow the plows to do their job.

The meeting adjourned by consent at 9:47 PM.

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Spring Sports Registration

LUP Spring Soccer

LUP Spring Soccer registration is now open! Our recreational soccer program is for kids in K-8 (9th grade girls are also eligible to register). Practices are one evening a week and games are Saturdays. See our website lupsports.com to register. Registration deadline March 11. If you have additional questions, please contact Tracy at lup.soccer.help@gmail.com.

GYB Little League

2019 Season Registration is open at gyblittleleague.org and tryouts for 9-14-year-old players are on Saturday March 9, 10 AM-12 PM at McDonald Field, Greenbelt, MD. Minors 9-10 years old, Majors 11-12 years old, Juniors 13-14 years old. T-ball and Machine Pitch no tryout required. If you reside in University Park, Greenbelt, Hyattsville, Lanham, Riverdale, Cottage City or the Mt. Rainier area, it's time to join your local Little League!



Civic Association Upcoming Events

Sunday, March 17, 3-6 PM Board & Brew UPCA Game Day: The UPCA will pay the game fee!

Saturday, April 6 Town Wide Yard Sale

Sunday, April 7 Spring Egg Hunt

Sunday, May 5th Mutt Strut

Visit UPCA on Facebook for more info about these and other events. Need to join the UPCA? For just \$25 per house per year you get all these events! Join here at <http://bit.ly/UPCA2019>

UP Woman's Club Meeting

Monday, March 4, 11:30 AM

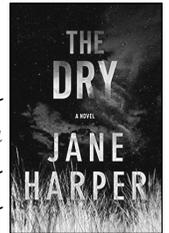
This past December, the movie *Schindler's List* was rereleased in honor of the 25th Anniversary of its debut. Director Steven Spielberg said a re-release was especially important now with increases in anti-Semitic incidents such as the murders of 11 people at the Tree of Life Synagogue in Pittsburgh in October 2018. Inspired by Mr. Spielberg and the need to work toward eliminating anti-Semitism, UPWC is honored to welcome Mrs. Melitta Stein as our guest speaker. Mrs. Stein was born in Prague, Czechoslovakia in 1928. She and her family were taken by the Nazis when she was thirteen and sent to five concentration camps including Auschwitz, where she received her identification tattoo and Bergen-Belsen, where she was finally freed by the United States military.

She lost her parents, her sister and 23 of her close family members. While working on *Schindler's List*, Spielberg was inspired to establish the USC Shoah Foundation Institute, which has collected the oral testimony of more than 55,000 survivors of the Holocaust. In 1996, Melitta Stein was one of those whose testimony was recorded. UPWC meets at University Christian Church at the corner of Belcrest and Adelphi Roads beginning at 11:30 AM. Please RSVP to Pat Myers at patmyers2@verizon.net or 301-439-6813.

After 8 Book Group

Tuesday, March 19, 8-10 PM

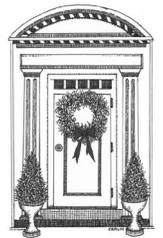
The book for March is *The Dry* by Jane Harper. April's title is *The Last Painting of Sara DeVos* by Dominic Smith. Please call Rachel Mayo 301-864-5351 or Laura Donnelly 301-927-6550 for more information.



UPWC News

UPWC 2019 Holiday House Tour Date Set

The University Park Woman's Club will hold their annual holiday house tour Saturday, December 14, 2019, 4 to 8 PM. If you are interested in having your home on the tour or would like additional information, contact Jean Pirovic, House Tour Chair at jean.pirovic@lnf.com. Proceeds from the tour support scholarships and community service projects. UPWC is a 501c3 organization.



UPWC Scholarships 2019



Doris McPhee Memorial Scholarship

This one-time financial need-based award of \$1500 is available to a graduating senior of Northwestern High School. The student must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 and demonstrated leadership and service.

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University Park Woman's Club Scholarship

This one-time merit-based need-blind \$1500 award is available to a graduating high school senior who is a resident of University Park. Applications will also be accepted from children and grandchildren of current UP Woman's Club members. All student applicants must live in Maryland. The applicant must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 and demonstrated leadership and service.

Applications and further information can be found at www.upwomensclub.org. For questions, email upmdwc@gmail.com. Completed applications are due Monday, April 1, 2019.

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.

18th Annual Azalea Classic

Saturday, May 4

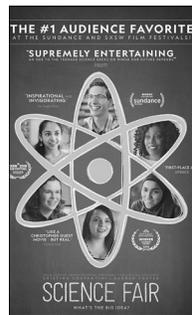


Join the University Park community for a morning of family-friendly fun and fitness. Choose from our USATF certified 5K, our 1 Mile Challenge, or our 1K Family Fun Run. Participants will enjoy our post-race party featuring local favorites like District Taco, Vigilante Coffee, CAVA, and DJ Lee! All races take place on the quiet, azalea-lined streets in University Park. This popular event brings together people from across the region and all ages. The event is organized by the University Park Elementary School PTA and all proceeds benefit programs at the school. Registration is open now at azaleaclassic.com.

Community Arts Drop-In, Sunday, March 3, 1-3 PM

Learn to tell a story using creative collage with Artist in Residence Racquel Keller. Projects can be as simple or complex as you make them. Materials provided, but you're welcome to bring images from home that you'd like to include. Admission is free; reservations are required. Please email agardner@greenbeltmd.gov to reserve your spot! Greenbelt Community Center, 15 Crescent Road, Greenbelt.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR



Hyattsville Library Independent Film Series, Monday, March 25, 7 PM Science Fair follows nine high school students from around the globe as they prepare to travel and compete in the elite International Science Fair. Discussion facilitated by John Spillane, local film editor and producer. Refreshments provided. University Christian Church, 6800 Adelphi Rd., Hyattsville.

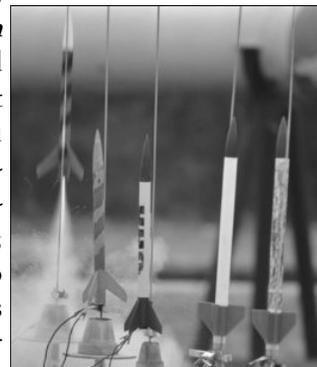
The Hyattsville Figure Drawing Group, Tuesdays, 6-9 PM

Each session begins with five 5-minute warm-up poses. We then draw from a sustained pose for the remainder of the session. Please bring your own materials, paper and easel (if needed). Chairs, tables and drawing boards provided. Walk-ins and late arrivals welcome, no experience necessary! \$20/session or \$80/5-session punch card. Pyramid Atlantic Art Center, 4318 Gallatin Street, Hyattsville. More info at pyramidatlanticartcenter.org.

Goddard Rocket Launches,

First Sunday of each month, 1 PM

Like to build model rockets, but don't have a launch pad? Now you do! Anyone can bring a model to fly at the Goddard Visitor Center rocket launches; there are no costs or fees to participate. Rockets, motors and supplies are available for purchase at the nearby Goddard Gift Shop (and many hobby shops or toy stores) and you can even get rocket construction and launch tips from our onsite experts on launch day! Don't want to launch your own rocket? That's fine, too—come out to watch and cheer on our rocketeers! Weather decisions are made the day of the launch. To check status of a launch, contact the Visitor Center front desk, 301-286-8981.



Riversdale

A National Historic Landmark, Riversdale is a restored, five-part, stucco-covered brick plantation home built between 1801 and 1807. 4811 Riverdale Rd., Riverdale Park, 301-864-0420.



Riversdale

COMMUNITY CALENDAR



Soup's On/Kitchen Guild Open House, *Sunday, March 17, 1 PM* Stop by until 3 PM to sample soup made from historic recipes and learn more about volunteer opportunities with the Kitchen Guild. Free.

Midcentury Modern Soiree, *Thursday, March 28, 7 PM* Immerse yourself in local mid-20th century architecture with an illustrated lecture. Then make some mementos as you enjoy sips and nibbles. Come dressed in your midcentury attire and you might win a prize! Ages 21 & up. Advance payment required by March 21. Fee: \$20.

College Park Arts Exchange

Your generous donations for free events are always appreciated. Be sure and check our online calendar at cpae.org for more events, including ongoing classes. All events take place at the Old Parish House, 4711 Knox Road, College Park, unless otherwise noted. Contact info@cpae.org or 301-927-3013 for more information.

"Blind Boy" Jerron Paxton *Friday, March 1, 8 PM* "Paxton seems to effortlessly embody the spirit of early music including ragtime, 20's jazz and Dust Bowl-era blues, delivering them through a dizzying display of virtuosity on guitar, piano, banjo and fiddle."-Living Blues Magazine. Cosponsored with The Archie Edwards Blues Heritage Foundation. Tickets at acousticblues.com.



Pysanky Eggs with Goedele Gulikers, *Saturday, March 9, 12:30-5 PM* Learn to create these exquisite East European treasures! RSVP to info@cpae.org. \$15 fee.



Seniors Art Show, *Friday, March 15, 4-8 PM*

Seniors 55+ are invited to display their art. To display your artwork, fill out our application at www.cpae.org by March 5. At the Catholic Student Center, 4141 Guilford Drive, College Park.

Seventh Annual College Park Book Festival, *Saturday, March 23, 1:30-4:30 PM* A variety of authors present their books, along with storytimes and activities for kids. College Park Community Center.

The Fisherman and His Wife, *Sunday, March 24, 3 PM* Beech Tree Puppets presents a classic fairy tale from the Brothers Grimm, presented in Beech Tree's serene and mesmerizing style.

Glade Dance Collective, *Saturday, March 30, 4 and 7 PM* Explore improvisational dance with Glade, then take part in their evening performance! Workshop from 4-6 PM (\$10), Performance at 7 PM.



Arts Drop-In at MilkBoy ArtHouse, *Sundays, 11 AM-1PM* The exciting new collaboration between College Park Arts Exchange, MilkBoy ArtHouse, and the Clarice. Adults and kids alike are welcome to take part in these fun arts projects facilitated by arts specialist Aaron Springer. *March 3, Felt Creations.*



Lost Pet Database

In this busy season, be sure your pet is registered. To register your pet, report a lost or found pet, please call volunteer coordinator 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 in case they are lost.

NOTICE OF ELECTION



The Town of University Park
will hold an election for

**The Offices of
Councilmember Ward 2
Councilmember Ward 4
Councilmember Ward 5
Councilmember Ward 6**

to be conducted on

TUESDAY, MAY 7, 2019
Polls will be open from 8 a.m. - 8 p.m.

**Word of God Baptist Church
6513 Queens Chapel Road
Side Door Entrance**

REGISTER TO VOTE:

Residents may register to vote the following ways:

Register to vote online at: https://elections.maryland.gov/voter_registration/application.html

OR

File a voter registration form at the Prince George's County Board of Elections at 1100 Mercantile Lane Suite 115A, Largo, MD 20774, Monday-Friday, 8 AM – 4:30 PM, Office: 301-341-7300

OR

File a voter registration form at Town Hall, 6724 Baltimore Avenue, University Park, MD 20782

DEADLINE:

To file as a candidate or register as a new voter the deadline is Monday, April 8, 2019.

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 Election Day,
3. A resident of University Park and
4. Registered to vote at least 30 days prior to the Election Day.

CANDIDATES:

Candidate packets (Candidate Petition and Financial Disclosure Statement) must be completed and returned to the Town Clerk by Monday, April 8, 2019 at 5 p.m. Packets are available at Town Hall and on the Town website, www.upmd.org under Government/Elections. If residents have questions please contact the Town Clerk by calling the Town office or email.

DEADLINE FOR WRITE-IN CANDIDATES:

Thursday, May 2, 2019 at 5 p.m.

Town Office
301-927-4262
townhall@upmd.org

Stephanie Herold
Supervisor of Elections
elections@upmd.org

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FREE ELECTRONICS RECYCLING, \$5 PAINT DISPOSAL

for University Park Residents

Saturday, April 27, 9 AM-1 PM

UP Elementary School Bus Circle

New! Bring your cans of old, leftover, wet paint. Paint will be processed for reuse. Only latex, acrylic, alkyd, water or oil-based paints in original containers. \$5 per quart, gallon or bucket—cash, check, charge accepted.

If you won't 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 electronic items collected will be reused, refurbished or recycled through Turtle Wings Inc., in accordance with local, state and federal regulations. Please check the Public Works page at upmd.org for 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.

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

Visit the Following Web Sites for More Details on Pet Waste:

- **EPA: Pet Waste Management**
http://cfpub.epa.gov/npdes/stormwater/menuofbmps/index.cfm?action=factsheet_results&view=specffic&bmp=4
- **University of Maryland Cooperative Extension Service — Pet Waste and Water Quality**
<http://extension.umd.edu/publications/pdfs/fs703.pdf>
- **Clean Water Campaign — Properly Disposing of Pet Waste**
<http://www.cleanwatercampaign.com/html/639.htm>
- **Pet Waste Outreach Campaign**
http://www.des.state.nh.us/organization/divisions/water/wmb/coastal/scoop_the_poop.htm
- **Snohomish County, WA — Pet Waste**
http://www1.co.snohomish.wa.us/Departments/Public_Works/Divisions/SWM/Services/Water_Pollution/Pet_Waste.htm

Prince George's County Department of Environmental Resources

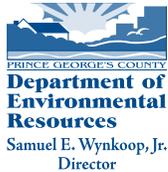
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Pet Waste

Improving Water Quality in Your Community



The Straight Scoop

Common Myths about Pet Waste

MYTH: Pet waste doesn't hurt the environment.

FACT: Sooner or later, pet waste left on the ground will find its way to our storm drains, streams and rivers. When pet waste washes into streams, it decomposes and produces substances called nutrients that consume the oxygen in the water that fish and other aquatic animals need to live. Most importantly, pet waste contains disease-causing germs and parasites that can make our streams and rivers unsafe for swimming. Children, gardeners and other pets that come in contact with pet waste also are at risk of infection.

MYTH: Pet waste decays quickly.

FACT: Pet waste breaks down extremely slow, causing un-scooped waste to accumulate faster than it breaks down. In the wintertime, abandoned pet waste freezes and remains for several weeks or even months! That's plenty of time for rain or melted snow to wash the waste into a storm drain, where it flows into our streams and rivers.

MYTH: Waste from my ONE dog can't hurt.

FACT: The average dog defecates about three-quarters of a pound of feces each day. In one year, Prince George's County issued around 16,300 dog licenses; that amounts to almost 6 tons of pet waste daily, which is equal to 215 dump truck loads every day. If everyone decided to stop picking up his or her pet's waste, imagine the amount of pet waste that would pile up in one month!

MYTH: No one cares if I pick up after my pet or not.

FACT: No one likes to smell, look at or step in pet waste! Most complaints about pets arise when their owners don't pick up the waste. More complaints are received for pet waste than for aggressive dogs, barking or dogs running loose. Leaving pet waste in our parks, on our neighbors' lawns or on sidewalks gives some people one more reason to dislike pets and their owners. In Prince George's County, it is also against the law to leave your pet's waste on public or private property and may result in fines up to \$250. Picking up your pet's waste sets a good example for other pet owners, and your neighbors will appreciate it, too.

MYTH: Picking up after my dog is too inconvenient and messy.

FACT: It is no one's favorite job, but it has become easier. Since so many dog owners have recognized the importance of scooping up pet waste, the market has responded with some inexpensive, easy-to-use tools. These tools include tiny bags to fit in your pocket or clip onto your dog's leash, waste scoopers with long handles and scoopers that bag the waste as you pick it up. After picking up the waste, you can flush it down the toilet or double-bag it and put it in the trash. There are even pet waste digesters you can install in your yard that work like a septic tank. These products can be found at many pet stores or online, and plastic grocery bags and newspaper bags are still a free alternative.

Pick up after your pet! It's easy as A-B-C

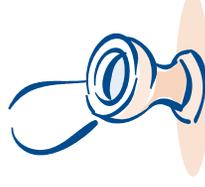
A. Bring a bag



B. Clean it up



C. Dispose of it properly (toilet or trash)



March 2019

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>Upcoming UPCA Events!</p>	<p>Town Wide Yard Sale Saturday, April 6 & Spring Egg Hunt Sunday, April 7</p>	<p>Hold the date! Electronics Recycling & Paint Disposal Saturday, April 27, 9 AM-1 PM</p>	<p>Hold the date! 18th Annual Azalea Classic Saturday, May 4</p>		<p>Recycling</p>	<p>2 Public Workshop: Town Hall Needs Assessment, 2-5 PM</p>
3	<p>4 UP Woman's Club Meeting, Yard Waste Town Council, 7:30 PM</p>	<p>5 Trash, Bulk Trash, Compost</p>	6	7	8 Recycling	9 Ivy League, 1-3 PM
10	<p>11 Yard Waste</p>	<p>12 Trash, Bulk Trash, Compost</p>	13	14	15 Recycling	16 Qigong & Tai Chi Lessons, 8-9:30 AM
17	<p>18 Yard Waste Town Council, 7:30 PM</p>	<p>19 Trash, Bulk Trash, Compost Book Group, 8-10 PM</p> 	20	21	22 Recycling	23
24	<p>25 Yard Waste</p>	<p>26 Trash, Bulk Trash, Compost</p>	27	28	29 Recycling	30
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3	Laurie Morrissey	301-906-0276
4	Linda Verrill	301-927-6743
5	David Caskey	301-699-8785
6	Martha Wells	301-864-1735
7	Roland Stephen	919-522-5589

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