

UNIVERSITY PARK NEWSLETTER

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MAYOR'S COLUMN

The Town at year's end is busily engaged in the future of the Prince George's Plaza and University Town Center areas, both part of a proposed Preliminary Transit District Development Plan for the Prince George's Plaza Area and amendments to the Transit District Overlay Zoning Map (TDDP). These areas included in the Prince George's Plaza Area TDDP lie just across Adelphi Road from our community and many of us use them for shopping, transit, childcare, recreation and more. Thus, we take a keen interest in what happens there.

This isn't and hasn't been the only area of concern for our community, as we are engaged with what happens nearby in all directions. Currently, the Town is party to an appeal of a planning board decision allowing a 7-Eleven across from Town in Riverdale Park. In the past

few years, the Town has been involved in shaping the proposals for a hotel in College Park, proposals for a residential and office complex and a fast-food drive-through in Hyattsville, and the 37-acre mixed use complex across Baltimore Avenue at Riverdale Park Station. We worked with neighboring communities to push back a development proposal for the University of Maryland Golf Course. The Town's Development Overview Committee keeps very busy advising the Council on planning, zoning and development issues affecting the Town.

The Preliminary Prince George's Plaza Area TDDP contains much we support, including its vision for creating a compact, mixed-use downtown bringing a variety of housing, retail and entertainment choices within walk-

Town Meetings & Special Dates

Town Council	January 4 & 11
Holidays	January 1 & 18
Development Overview Committee	January 6

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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able, bicycle-friendly reach of University Park. As a town which was first envisioned as a streetcar community and which now has its own transit-connecting bus service and safe, walkable streets, we get that. We understand the compelling reasons for the transit-oriented development which brings increased density around Metro stations (and the Purple line, when built)-and that surrounding areas are urbanizing. Yet, the plan fails to consider negative impacts to nearby communities, including our own.

The Town has expressed many concerns to the Planning Board in an October 21, 2015 letter (on the Town's website), including stormwater management, managing traffic and providing sufficient structured parking, possible building heights up to 32-stories and with little step-down transition to the two-story single-family homes in University Park, and lack of planning to avoid overcrowded public schools. Livability is the key issue, both of planned new buildings in the Prince George's Plaza Area TDDP and existing communities. The plan's worth should be measured by its impact on our quality of life and sense of community, and whether it can create the vibrant new downtown it envisions without diminishing the livability of adjacent communities. A badly done plan will have lasting consequences for our community and county.

In this year ahead, we must work with our neighbors and as a community to fix and strengthen the preliminary plan. Let's get this right. I am heartened by residents who have become informed and involved in the Prince George's Plaza TDDP issues, and wrote to the Planning Board and testified at the October 21 hearing. At press time, the Planning Board is working on the details of a resolution which addresses some of our community concerns but leaves others only partly met or unaddressed. The District Council (the County Council sitting as a planning and zoning authority) will take up the Prince George's Plaza TDDP on the evening of February 16 in a public hearing. While any of this information can change and probably will, the Town will try to keep you informed so you can participate.



To have your views become part of the record for the District Council, send your comments in a letter to Redis C. Floyd, Clerk of the County Council, County Administration Building (Room 2198), 14741 Governor Oden Bowie Drive, Upper Marlboro, MD 20772-3050. Please also copy me and your Town Council Member (our email and snail mail addresses are elsewhere in this Newsletter), so that we can also know what our County representatives are hearing from you. Also, it helps to copy Aimee Olivo, Chief of Staff to District 3 County Council Member Dannielle Glaros, via email at aeolivo@co.pg.md.us.

It continues to be vitally important for us to pay attention to what is going on around our own small community, and to show up and speak up about this plan for the future.

I will close with a simple wish that 2016 is the happiest of new years.

—Len Carey

*Do you agree or disagree? Did I miss something?
Let me know: mayor@upmd.org*



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

FROM THE CHIEF

Happy New Year!

The men and women of the University Park Police Department hope that everyone had a safe and joyous holiday season. As a new year is upon us we encourage each of you to be safe in your daily routine by using common sense to provide a secure environment for yourself, your family and our community. The message is simple: Take Pride in Your Community-If You See Something Say Something.

The University Park Police Department strives to be professional in service and duty to the Town of University Park and these efforts are supported by rules and policies.

Our Mission Statement: The department will work in partnership with our citizens to provide a safe environment and enhance the quality of life consistent with the values of our community. We will adhere to values of professionalism, integrity, responsiveness, sensitivity, respect and openness.

The Vision Statement follows up with: The department will foster a relationship with the citizens of the Town that is rooted in mutual trust, respect and pride. We will value the dignity and rights of all the people with whom we interact in creating an environment where responsibility and professional service reflect justice and equity. We pledge to provide determination, inspiration and compassion to fulfill the mission of the department.

Police agencies across the country have made front page news throughout the year. Good police work is often overshadowed by the actions of a few officers acting poorly. Some tragic events over the past couple of years resulted in a call for action to evaluate the entire criminal justice system nationwide. A task force was commissioned by President Obama and the final report on *21st Century Policing* was released in May of 2015. I attended presentations by the co-chairs of the task force, Charles Ramsey (Philadelphia Police Commissioner) and Laurie Robinson (Professor of Criminology, Law & Society at George Mason University).

My experience was that the information provided a framework and direction for police departments to work with. The UPPD made this report available to all of its officers and as an agency we continue to align our goals and objectives to the applicable recommendations. You can read the full report on line at www.cops.usdoj.gov/

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policing taskforce. As part of the community, the UPPD will be professional, respectful and open. Your input is always welcome and your support is truly appreciated.

Breaking & Entering Between November 15 11 PM and November 16 8 AM in the 4400 Block of East West Highway the resident advised that an unknown person entered the home through the rear door that was unlocked and stole an Apple laptop computer and a designer purse containing identification, credit cards and two passports. The neighborhood was canvassed for witnesses and the crime scene processed. No suspect/s was located. The investigation is ongoing.



Snow and Winter Operations Information from the Department of Public Works

Snow Policy: Plowing and Snow Removal

- When there is a chance of snow, please use driveways or garages to park your vehicles. With fewer vehicles parked on Town streets, our public works crew is able to clear them of ice and snow more effectively.
- For safety reasons, please limit activity in the streets when public works crews are plowing.
- All residents (including renters) must remove snow from their private and public front sidewalks within 24 hours after the snow has stopped. Please keep them safe and passable.

Check the Town's website for snow emergency declarations and details.

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Shuttle Bus Snow Policy

The Town will follow the federal government's status. If the federal government is closed, the bus will be canceled. If the federal government is open or delayed, the bus will run on its normal schedule so long as we deem the conditions safe to do so. Check the Town website for updates. The Mayor will also send an email to his Mayor's list with any changes to the bus schedule. Email mayor@upmd.org to be added to his email list.



Curbside Leaf Vacuuming & Christmas Tree Disposal

Leaf vacuuming continues thru January 15, 2016.

- Do not rake or blow leaves into the street.
- No rocks, sticks or metal in your leaf piles.
- Crews will not back track to collect leaves once they have been past your home.

If you miss curbside leaf vacuuming, leaves will need to be collected into paper bags or a durable container and put at the curb for Monday collection.

Check the Town website under the public works heading for updates and changes at www.upmd.org

Christmas trees will be picked up every Monday with yard waste January 1-March 1

Holiday Schedule

Friday, December 25-Trash collection cancelled

Friday, January 1-Trash collection cancelled

Questions?

Please call Town Hall at 301-927-4262 or email Mickey Beall at mbeall@upmd.org.

2015 Report from

Committee on Trees, Parks & Environment

2015 was a year of achievement for the Committee on Trees, Parks and Environment.

- We surveyed the entire town to identify best sites for street tree plantings.
- Together with our many volunteers, generous of time and spirit, we planted upwards of three dozen street trees at the Holly Hill/Oakridge site in May and the Calverton/Wells Parkway site in October.
- We provided a sketch of shade tree needs in Ward 1, after PEPCO's line clearing.
- Together with volunteers, under the banner of the Ivy League, we contributed 100 person hours of ivy removal from public trees.
- The Ivy League also came out for the spring round of the Stream Cleanup.
- The Ivy League participated in two projects sponsored by the Anacostia Watershed Society, lending many hours of people power to the efforts near the school.

We speak for the trees, the parks and the environment. If you care about such things, we encourage you to join us on one or more of our activities in 2016. Look for our announcements in the Newsletter and on the listserv.

Notable Tree

This month's notable tree was chosen by Roy and Beth Alvarez. We have all encountered at least one Southern Magnolia in our travels. We recognize her for her creamy white flowers and rich, glossy leaves. This specimen is well developed, standing squarely in the sun, its long skirts hanging low enough to whisper with the grass. This effect will be nearly as sublime when interacting with the snow. This Southern Magnolia is located at 6901 Forest Hill Drive. Treat yourself to a brisk walk and the chance to admire a University Park notable.



-Chris Aubry on behalf of the Tree Committee

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November 16 Council Meeting Highlights

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

Permits

Motion to approve the request for a building permit to resurface an existing 11' x 120' driveway at 6930 Pineway. Motion approved 7 to 0.

Motion to approve modification and extension of an existing Special Utility Permit for the Department of Environment Stormwater Management Division to enter University Park right-of-way to install a storm drain pipe across Wells Parkway at 6905 Wells Parkway as itemized on the Permit and with the conditions as proposed. This permit will be extended until June 1, 2016 to permit paving. Modifications change working hours to 8 AM to 4 PM, allow the road to be closed, and permit equipment to be kept in Town overnight until the work is completed. Motion approved 7 to 0.

New Business

Budget Transfer (First Reading)

Motion to authorize a transfer of an amount not to exceed \$5,000 from unreserved funds to office expense to cover the cost for a service recognition event. Motion approved 7 to 0.

Motion: Per Section 2-105 (b) of the Town Ordinances, to override sealed bid procedures and approve a contract with American Traffic Solutions Incorporated for continued maintenance and operation of a red light camera at the intersection of Baltimore Avenue and East West Highway, the form subject to approval by the Town Attorney. Good cause for overriding sealed bid procedures is (1) the Town has used this vendor since onset of this red light camera program in 2008 with good results to public safety and minimal impact upon the Town; (2) a change of vendor would necessitate new approvals and a new permit from the State Highway Administration requiring considerable time, and (3) the red light camera at this location produces low returns on which there is unlikely to be much interest by other vendors. Motion approved 7 to 0.

Continuing Business

Council reviewed and discussed in detail the Council Agenda-Setting for 2015-2016.

- CM Verrill will schedule a meeting to discuss the new website design and will invite Town residents with web-site design expertise and experience to get feedback.
- Link Code Enforcement with branding.
- Add a statement in the newsletter for new residents to contact Town Hall for helpful information.
- Ms. Ferguson suggested putting together all the information on how University Park enforces the Town Code for rental properties.
- Items to be added to the agenda for discussion: Town manager and space in Town Hall.

Department and Council Reports

Mayor's Report

- Town Hall has been short staffed since the Town Clerk and Assistant Town Clerk are out of the office. Janet Young has volunteered to cover the office during their absence.
- The audit report was distributed. The auditors from Lindsey and Associates are scheduled to be present at the November 30, 2015 Council meeting to review the report and answer any questions.
- The enforcement of the Do Not Enter signs in Ward 1 so far has been going well. A few citations have been issued.
- Many of you were at the overview given by Senator Paul Pinsky and County Council Member Dannielle Glaros. The State Board of Public Works will take up the crossing from the Cafritz site over into Riverdale Park at River Road. That will be on the agenda in January. They were hoping to have done it earlier this month but were advised by Attorney General Brian Frosh that they needed to make sure that they gave more public notice than they were prepared to do.
- Route 1 in front of the Cafritz site is being widened and the curb line is going in. Paving will be done in two stages beginning next spring. WSSC will be paving south of Underwood Street and the Cafritz team will be paving north of Underwood Street.
- On November 19, 2015, the Planning Board is scheduled for a work session on the Prince George's Plaza Area Transit District Development Plan to discuss with the staff the public comments that have been made. Mayor Carey will attend to listen and observe.
- On November 23, 2015, County Council Member Dannielle Glaros is sponsoring a Senior Lunch and Resource Fair. Mayor Carey thanked CM Verrill for contacting and informing seniors in University Park of this event.

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- Invitations were sent from Council Member Dannielle Glaros for the December 7, 2015 Municipal Leaders Breakfast.

- On November 6, Mayor Carey met with the new engineer with the State Highway Administration and his staff. Topics discussed were the configuration of Route 1 in front of the Cafritz site, stormwater management both south of Wells Run and north of Wells Run and the replacement of a guardrail and fence along Baltimore Avenue and Wells Parkway due to an automobile accident.

- The Town of University Park has filed a petition for appeal of the 7-Eleven decision with the District Council. Town Attorney Ferguson stated that Riverdale Park also filed a petition for appeal with the Circuit Court. Once the record is received and the Town receives notification, University Park will also file a notice of intent to participate.

- Town continues to work with the State Highway Administration on two stormwater issues on Wells Parkway/East West Highway and Van Buren/Baltimore Avenue.

- A complaint was filed with the County Animal Management regarding the October 26 dog-on-dog attack. A hearing is scheduled for January 13, 2016 at 9:30 AM. Subpoenas have been sent to witnesses. The Mayor has requested Town Attorney Ferguson to attend.

- The Mayor will present a budget for FY 2016 in late March which will include proposed upgrades and expansions of the tot lot and playground.

Police Traffic and Public Safety Committee CM Alvarez reported that the committee discussed many topics including signage and speed bumps. Minutes of the meeting will be available soon.

Development Overview Committee CM Hess reported that the next meeting is scheduled for November 18 at 7:30 PM at Town Hall. County Council Member Dannielle Glaros will attend the meeting. Mayor Carey reported that Mr. Larry Taub will send a representative of the Riverdale Park Station to the December 16 meeting to discuss the proposed hotel.

Police Chief Wynnyk distributed the October 2015 crime report. Chief Wynnyk took the CERT team to lunch and for those who could not attend, he provided them with gift certificates. He also attended a meeting with the Memorandum of Understanding Group.

Department Of Public Works Director Michael Beall reported that the Queens Chapel Road tennis courts were repaired at no charge to the town. Due to the water pushing up through the ground, this is going to be an ongoing problem. Tree planting has ceased for the fall. A total of 79 trees were planted. Ten additional trees will be planted in the spring which will be provided by the county. The Christmas tree lighting will take place on Saturday, December 5. Leaf pick up has begun.

The meeting adjourned by consent at 9:40 PM.

November 30 Council Meeting Highlights

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

Presentation

Treasurer Dan Baden introduced Mr. Robert Diss and Ms. Alicia Scarlet, Assistant with Lindsey & Associates. Mr. Diss explained the highlights of the 2015 Audit Report. University Park Civic Association representative Nicole Lucier explained how the Civic Association welcomes new residents. Ms. Lucier visits new residents, gives them a folder with helpful information along with a bar of soap and welcomes them to the community.

Public Comment

A resident expressed frustration that he was not provided with details from the code enforcement officer as to what exactly is in violation in his yard. Another resident told the Council that he agreed with and supports everything in the letter sent to the Prince George's County Planning Board presenting the Town's position re: the Preliminary Prince George's Plaza Area Transit District Development Plan. He is very concerned with the proposed eight 32-story buildings. A Council Member encouraged him to write a letter to the County Council expressing his concerns and to communicate to other residents to do the same.

Continuing Business

Motion to authorize a transfer of an amount not to exceed \$5,000 from Unreserved Funds to Office Expense to cover the cost for a service recognition event. Motion approved 7 to 0.

New Business

Motion to accept the June 30, 2015 Financial State

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ments Report from Lindsey & Associates. Motion approved 7 to 0.

Motion to approve a special 2015 holiday compensation in the amount of \$300 net of deductions for each current, active employee as of December 1 of this year. Motion approved 7 to 0.

Note: Council would like to address raising the amount of the holiday compensation for the next budget.

Department and Council Reports

Mayor's Report

▪The Mayor was glad to see the number of letters from residents to the Planning Board regarding the Prince George's Plaza Area Transit District Development Plan. If there is enough resident interest, the Mayor is considering taking the Town bus to the District Council hearing scheduled in February.

▪In reference to 7-Eleven, the Town Attorney filed both a petition and a cross petition for judicial review. One is to make us party to the litigation and the other is to join us with the appeal requested from Riverdale Park.

▪In December or early January, a proposal will be presented to the Council to hire a traffic consultant to advise the Town re: a Transportation Demand Management District.

▪The Mayor may request a Council special session to approve a Town building permit for replacement of a garage at 6809 Pineway which was destroyed when a tree fell upon it.

▪A representative from the Word of God Baptist Church may be present at the December 14 meeting to discuss the proposed signs around the Church as well as directional signs.

▪The Community Potluck is scheduled for December 5 at 4:30 PM at the University Park Elementary School.

▪The Town holiday tree will be lit on December 5 at 7 PM.

▪A breakfast for municipal elected officials on December 7 at Plato's Diner, hosted by County Council Member Dannielle Glaros.

▪The College Park inaugural is scheduled for December 7 at 7:30 to welcome incoming Mayor Patrick Wojahn and the new Council for College Park.

▪The Prince George's County Municipal Association Legislative Dinner is scheduled for December 8 at the Newton White Manor. Those interested in attending should contact Town Clerk Tracey Toscano.

▪The University Park Woman's Club Candlelight House Tour is scheduled for December 11 from 7 to 10 PM.

▪In January, would like to discuss a bike infrastructure program that would cover the entire Anacostia Trails Heritage area.

▪A reminder of the employee service recognition dinner scheduled for December 3 at 6 PM.

The October 2015 Treasurer's Report was discussed.

CM Verrill and Carson Lee rode the Town bus with three senior citizens to the Senior Resource Fair and luncheon, which Council Member Dannielle Glaros organized.

CM Hess reported that the next Development Overview Committee meeting is scheduled for December 16 at 7:30 PM at Town Hall. A UP Development Overview Committee website is available, visit Google Sites at [updevelopmentoverviewcommittee](http://updevelopmentoverviewcommittee.com), showing all the developments within one mile of town. CM Hess will send the link to the Mayor and Council. This is a temporary site and the information will be transferred to the new Town website as soon as it is available.

The next meeting of the Policy Rules and Municipal Structure Committee is scheduled for December 8. CM Verrill asked those who plan to attend this meeting to invite anyone who has experience in websites.

The meeting adjourned by consent at 10 PM.

December 5 Council Special Session Highlights

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

Permits

Motion to approve the request for a building permit to rebuild a 18.5'x 18.5' wooden garage at 6809 Pineway. Motion approved 7 to 0.

Council discussion: The garage will be rebuilt with the same materials and specifications as the garage it replaces. The Special Session is necessary due to an exceptional situation beginning with a tree demolishing the existing garage, followed by several months of contesting with the insurance company their proposed settlement.

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The Town received a complaint from a neighbor in mid-November. This was resolved in late-November just before County DPIE closure for the Thanksgiving holiday followed by the previous Council meeting. The County permit having now been received, applicant requests a Town permit in time to enable concrete to be poured and stucco properly applied while weather still permits.

The meeting adjourned by consent at 12:20 PM.

Obituaries

Martin Lampe, longtime resident of Van Buren Street, died at home of ocular melanoma on November 25, 2015. He was 73. He was a plasma physicist at the Naval Research Laboratory for over 40 years, a graduate of Stuyvesant High School and Harvard University, receiving his PhD at the University of California, Berkeley. At NRL, he was an award winning scientist and was past chairman of the Division of Plasma Physics of the American Physical Society. Devoted to causes for persons with intellectual disabilities, he served on the board and as president of The Arc Prince George's County, and on the management team of Special Olympics Prince George's County. He was also a past president of the board of By Their Side. Martin was a lifelong tennis player and exercise enthusiast, and late in life learned to play golf. He was an opera lover, too. He is survived by his wife, Barbara and children William Lampe and Bekkah Lampe (Erik Lauridsen).

Catherine (Kay) Resing, a part-time resident of Underwood Street for the last 15 years, died December 11, surrounded by loving family members. She was 81. Kay was the mother of Mary Resing and grandmother of Garvey, Jack and Rory McKeown and was frequently seen around town at their LUP games, UPES and Vocetti concerts and performances, and play dates. When her grandchildren were in preschool, Kay served for four years as a coop parent at College Park Nursery School.



UPCA News

The University Park Civic Association wishes you a Happy 2016! We are working hard to fill this New Year with a wide set of fun town events and we would love your input and ideas. If you would like to start a new event this year, please contact our president, Connie Visnic: connie.visnic@gmail.com.

Thanks once more to Debra Suarez, Sarah Noreen and the full cast of volunteers who helped organize the town Holiday Party in December. We hope everyone had a great time relishing each other's potluck dishes, enjoying some music from the youth choir and, most importantly, getting together with your neighbors for some festive cheer! Keep your eyes open for more UPCA events in January. We are working out the details of our Family Game Night, as well as a Happy Hour. Check our website, upcivicasociation.com, for more details and we'll also post the when and where on the neighborhood listservs.

Save the date! Saturday, May 14 for the Spring Town Wide Yard Sale from 9 AM-2 PM.

UPWC News

The UP Woman's Club is extremely grateful to the gracious homeowners who opened their beautiful homes for the 22nd Annual UPWC Holiday House Tour, to University of Maryland Professor Robert DiLutis and the wonderful music students who volunteered to perform in the tour homes, to those who purchased tour tickets and to those who purchased the lovely items sold by local craftspeople and artists at the boutique.

Funds raised at this event support UPWC scholarships and other charitable projects. If you missed your chance to support the UPWC's charitable projects by attending the Holiday House Tour, donations may be mailed to the UPWC at PO Box 222, Riverdale, MD 20738. The UPWC is a 501(c)3 tax-exempt nonprofit organization.



UPWC Home Decorating Contest Winners

Most Unique
Floyd-Sondak Residence
6805 Pineway

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Best House Front

#1 Moore Residence
6600 44th Ave

#2 Elam Residence
6912 40th Ave

#3 Gentile-Burrill Residence
4202 Clagett

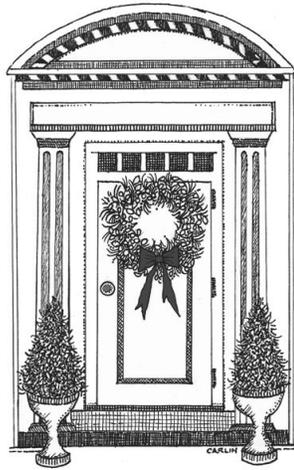
Best Whole House

#1 Cotter Residence
4301 Van Buren St

#2 Parish-Roerig Residence
6902 Wells Parkway

#3 Okleson Residence
7003 Eversfield

Congratulations to all of the winners!



will also be accepted from children and grandchildren of current UP Woman's Club members who joined the Club prior to June 30, 2015, children of current members who joined the club on or after July 1, 2015. All applicants must live in Maryland. The applicant must have a cumulative grade point average of 3.0. This is a merit-based needs blind scholarship. Applicants must complete parts A and B of the application and provide additional information as requested.

Non-Traditional Woman's Scholarship: A new scholarship for \$750 is available for 2016 to a woman, 35 and older, who is in career transition, re-entering the job market and/or updating her skills. For example, she may be taking a day care course, taking a course at a community college, taking a course for certification, updating computer skills, taking allied health courses etc. She must be a U.S. citizen and a resident of the following community: Town of University Park, College Heights Estates, Calvert Hills (College Park), or wards 3 and 4 in the City of Hyattsville.

Applications and further information can be found at upmd.org/?documents. For questions, email upmdwc@gmail.com. Completed applications are due Monday, April 4, 2016.



University Park Woman's Club 2016 Scholarships

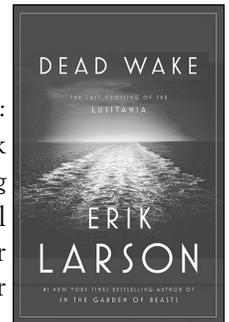
Doris McPhee Memorial Scholarship: This one-year \$1000 award is available to a graduating high school senior of Northwestern High School with a minimum cumulative grade point average of 3.0. This is a financial need-based scholarship. Applicants must complete parts A, B and C of the application and provide the additional information requested.

University Park Woman's Club Scholarship: This one year \$1000 award is available to a graduating high school senior who is a resident of University Park. Applications

After 8 Book Group

Tuesday, January 19, 8-10 PM

The book for January is *Dead Wake: Last Crossing of the Lusitania* by Erik Larson. The February book is *Burning Bright* by Tracy Chevalier. Please call Marianne Rankin at 301-277-6683 or Laura Donnelly at 301-927-6550 for more information.



Great Decisions 2016

Tuesday, January 26, 7:30 PM



The Foreign Policy Association recently announced topics for the Great Decisions 2016 discussions. Enough interest has emerged that we will reconstitute the discussion group. The group will focus on the Middle East, the Rise of ISIS, the Future of Kurdistan, Migration, the Koreas, the United Nations, Climate Change, and Cuba and the US. The group will meet 9 times, on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of

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each month between 7:30 and 9:30 PM, starting January 26. The location will be the library room of the Church of the Brethren at the corner of Tuckerman and Baltimore Avenue. Town residents and others who might be interested in joining the group should email John Tabori at mctab@aol.com to express their interest and for further information. Detailed information on the topic and the cost of the materials can be found at the Foreign Policy Association website at www.fpa.org.

Qigong & Tai Chi Lessons

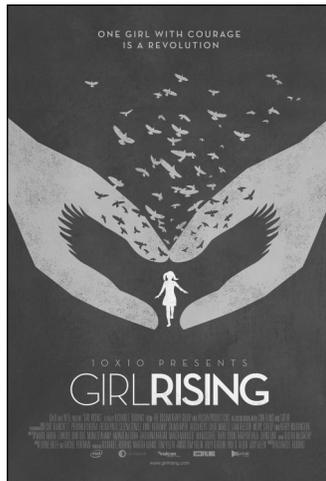
Saturdays, 8-9:30 AM

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.



Islamophobia Discussion Sunday, January 17, 2016, 11:30 AM Are you concerned about Islamophobia? Come hear about and discuss the state of interfaith relations locally and nationally with Maureen Fiedler, resident of University Park and host of *Interfaith Voices*, heard on NPR stations nationwide and locally on WAMU. In the church hall at St. Matthew's/San Mateo Episcopal Church, 5901 36th Avenue, Hyattsville MD, 20782 one block off Queens Chapel Road.

Hyattsville Library Film Series, *Girl Rising*, Monday, January 25, 7 PM *Girl Rising* is a documentary film that tells the stories of nine girls from nine developing countries, where each faces challenges that require perseverance and commitment to pursue their dreams. Ultimately it is a story of the human spirit and the power of education to change the world. Filmmaker Chris Lynn will facilitate the discussions, sharing his filmmaking expertise and encouraging participation.



College Park Arts Exchange

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

College Park Youth Music Traditions Concert and Dance Friday, January 8, 6:30 PM Celebrate with these young musicians as they explore traditional genres including Old Time, Irish, Bluegrass and Americana. Hosted by fiddler Liberty Rucker and guitarist Eric Maring, CPYMT focuses on ear and group playing based around the fiddle tradition. Music selections will be largely instrumental with the aim of having fun with the music as a group as well as performing the tunes for listening and dancing audiences. Our second semester runs Mondays 6:15-7:30 PM, February 1-June 6. \$150. Email maring-music@gmail.com for more information.

College Park Youth Choir and Vocetti Winter Community Concert Tuesday January 12, 7:30 PM at St Andrew's Church, 4512 College Ave, College Park.



Free and open to the public. Second semester of Youth Choir begins Jan. 26. College Park Youth Choir will also perform at the annual celebration of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. at the UMD Clarice Smith Center, Saturday, January 16, 2 PM.

Children's Arts Drop-In Programs January 30 and 31 Arts Specialists Aaron Springer and Ann Potter lead free fun arts workshops for children ages 3-8 with their parents. January's theme: Popsicle Stick Puppet Theater! Saturday 10 AM-Noon at College Park Community Center, Sunday 2-4 PM at Old Parish House.

Singalong with Mary Poppins Saturday, January 30, 1 PM and 4 PM Bring the family to enjoy this classic movie and sing along with the subtitles in a fun community atmosphere-plus popcorn! Two shows and free.

Connect the Dots Dance & CPAE offer Children's Ballet Classes January 6-March 25 Wednesdays 4:15-4:45 creative movement for age 3; 4:45-5:30 pre-ballet ages 4-6. **Thursdays** 4:30-5:15 pre-ballet ages 4-6. **Fridays** 3:45-4:30 ballet 1 ages 6-7. Fee. Please register on the first day of class.

THE UPCA WISHES YOU A

HAPPY NEW YEAR!

We had a great 2015, thanks to your attendance and support! 2016 will be even better, but we can't do it without your help!

**OUTDOOR MOVIES
EGG HUNT
HALLOWEEN PARTY
HOLIDAY POT LUCK
BINGO
YARD SALE
ICE SKATING**

**FOURTH OF JULY
CHILI COOKOFF
FAMILY GAME NIGHT**

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STREAM CLEANUP
SOCIALS
WINE AND CHEESE**

Please remember to renew your support to the UPCA. Your \$25 each year helps us hold these and other events for our neighborhood. Hope to see you at one of our events in 2016!



<http://upcivicassociation.com>



University Park Town Council 2016 Adopted Meeting Schedule *All meetings are open to the public.*

January 4 January 11	July 11 July 25
February 1 February 22	August 15
March 7 March 21	September 12 September 19
April 11 April 18	October 3 October 17
May 2 May 16	November 7 November 21
June 6 June 20	December 5 December 19

Note: For your information, the following dates have either an official holiday that falls on the first or third Monday or a scheduled school closing. Town Hall is closed and the Town Shuttle Bus will not operate on the following dates.

January 1	New Year's Day
January 18	Martin Luther King, Jr. Day
February 15	President's Day
May 3	Town Election
May 30	Memorial Day
July 4	Independence Day
September 5	Labor Day
October 10	Columbus Day
November 11	Veterans Day
November 24 & 25	Thanksgiving Day & Employee Appreciation Day
December 25	Christmas Day

! After This Form Is Filled Out, You Must Sign And Mail It To Your County Board of Elections.
● It Cannot Be Processed If It Is Faxed or E-mailed, Because It Requires An Original Signature.

MARYLAND VOTER REGISTRATION APPLICATION

WARNING

Giving false information to obtain voter registration is perjury and punishable by a fine of up to \$1,000, or by imprisonment for up to 5 years, or both.

PERSONAL RECORDS NOTICE/CONFIDENTIALITY

This form collects personal information for voter registration purposes. If you are not registered to vote and you refuse to provide this information, you will not be allowed to vote in Maryland. You may update your voter registration at any time at your County Board of Elections. Except for items specified as confidential, voter registration records are generally available for public inspection; they may also be shared with jury commissioners/clerks or other government agencies as provided by law. The law prohibits use of voter registration records for commercial solicitation purposes. If you decline to register to vote, that fact will remain confidential and will be used only for voter registration purposes.

If you register to vote, the identity of the office at which the application is submitted will remain confidential and will be used only for voter registration purposes.

QUESTIONS

Visit the State Board of Elections website at www.elections.maryland.gov to verify your registration, find your polling place, and find out other important information. If you have any questions, call your County Board of Elections or the State Board of Elections at the numbers listed on the back of the application.

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! Large type Voter Registration Applications available upon request to your County Board of Elections or the State Board of Elections.

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701 Kelly Road, Suite 213
Cumberland, MD 21502-2887
301-777-5931

Anne Arundel County

P.O. Box 490
Glen Burnie, MD 21060-0490
410-222-6600

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Baltimore, MD 21202-3432
410-396-5550

Baltimore County

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Baltimore, MD 21031
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410-535-2214
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Denton, MD 21629-1335
410-479-8145

Carroll County

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Westminster, MD 21157-5248
410-386-2080

Cecil County

200 Chesapeake Blvd.
Suite 1900
Elkton, MD 21921-6395
410-996-5310

Charles County

P.O. Box 908
La Plata, MD 20646-0908
301-934-8972
301-870-3167

Dorchester County

501 Court Lane, Rm. 105
P.O. Box 414
Cambridge, MD 21613-0414
410-228-2560

Frederick County

The Bourne Building
355 Montevue Lane, Suite 101
Frederick, MD 21702-8213
301-600-VOTE (8683)

Garrett County

Public Service Center
2008 Maryland Highway, Suite 1
Mountain Lake Park, MD 21550-6349
301-334-6985

Harford County

133 Industry Lane
Forest Hill, MD 21050-1621
410-638-3565

Howard County

9770 Patuxent Woods Drive, Suite 200
Columbia, MD 21046
410-313-5820

Kent County

135 Dixon Drive
Chestertown, MD 21620-1141
410-778-0038

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P.O. Box 4333
Rockville, MD 20849-4333
240-777-VOTE (8683)
TDD 800-735-2258

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Largo, MD 20774
301-430-8020

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410-758-0832

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301-475-7844 ext. 1100

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410-651-0767

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Easton, MD 21601-0353
410-770-8099

Washington County

35 W. Washington Street
Room 101
Hagerstown, MD 21740-4833
240-313-2050

Wicomico County

P.O. Box 4091
Salisbury, MD 21803-4091
410-548-4830

Worcester County

100 Belt Street
Snow Hill, MD 21863-1300
410-632-1320

January 2016

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Curbside Leaf Vacuuming Ends Soon 	Save the date! Church of the Brethren's Valentine Spaghetti Dinner (everybody welcome!) is Saturday, February 13, 5-8 PM				1 Town Holiday Town Hall closed, no shuttle service, no waste pick up	2
3	4 Yard Waste Town Council, 7:30 PM	5 Trash	6 Development Overview Committee, 7:30 PM	7 Recycling	8 Trash	9 Qigong & Tai Chi Lessons, 8-9:30 AM 
10	11 Yard Waste Town Council, 7:30 PM	12 Trash	13	14 Recycling	15 Trash	16
17	18 Town Holiday Town Hall closed, no shuttle service, no waste pick up	19 Trash After 8 Book Group, 8-10 PM 	20	21 Recycling	22 Trash	23 Qigong & Tai Chi Lessons, 8-9:30 AM
24	25 Yard Waste	26 Trash Great Decisions 2016, 7:30 PM 	27	28 Recycling	29 Trash	30



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 Chief Michael Wynnyk upchief@upmd.org

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

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2	James Gekas	301-864-2734
3	Bradlee Hess	202-531-5347
4	Linda Verrill	301-927-6743
5	David Caskey	301 699-8785
6	Michael Cron	301-277-4718
7	Roy Alvarez	301-779-6746

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