

UNIVERSITY PARK NEWSLETTER

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MAYOR'S COLUMN

On November 18 and 19, Mayor and Council convened a strategic planning retreat to strengthen working relationships, develop a shared vision and critical success factors for the Town, and identify goals for the next few years. We met in nearby College Park, facilitated by Catherine Tuck Parrish from the Novak Consulting Group. In addition to myself and Councilmembers, participants included Treasurer Dan Baden, Police Chief Mike Wynnyk, Town Clerk Tracey Toscano, and Public Works Director Mickey Beall. Executive Assistant Andrea Marcavitch arranged the details.

At most Council meetings, the agenda is filled with an array of presentations and building permits. The Council often hears public comment on a variety of concerns and approves minutes of previous meetings. The Mayor, Town Attorney, and Town staffs brief the Council about ongoing departmental operations. There is an occasional

urgent concern, a contract to be approved or funds reallocated, or a development or zoning issue may demand Council attention. Absent a pressing matter, most Mayor and Council meetings are dry and routine events—just review the highlights of Council meetings published in the Newsletter. Most often, there is little opportunity to step away, shift focus from the urgent and present of municipal operations, and envision the Town's future. So it is that Mayor, Council, and staff gave up an evening and Saturday just before the busy Thanksgiving holiday to come together to do just that.

Mayor and Council envisioned a University Park which *is inclusive and innovative, fostering a strong sense of community within a vibrant and growing urban area. The Town values community involvement, fiscal sustainability, and environmental stewardship. It is a safe, tree-lined, walkable residential community that provides excellent services to residents.*

Town Meetings & Special Dates

Town Holidays	January 2 & 16
Town Council	January 9 & 23
Development Overview Committee	January 17

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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University Park is well-connected to schools, local businesses, employment centers, cultural amenities, transportation facilities, the Nation's Capital, and the University of Maryland.

In the lengthy discussion, we agreed on several factors considered critical to the Town's future success:

- *High quality leadership*, with priority on hiring a town manager and inspiring residents to get involved.
- *Physical community space*, with priority on designing and building a future town hall and community space.
- *Maintaining excellent public services*, with priority on maintaining tree canopy and develop a plan for use and management of our town parks.
- *Strong community partnerships*, with priority on improving transparency and communications, and making optimal use of what will be a new Town website.
- *Fiscally responsible*, with priority on maintaining strong reserves and protecting the town's tax base.
- *Intergovernmental influence*, including establishing positive guiding principles which the Town can use in responding to proposed future development in surrounding areas.
- *Safe connections* with nearby communities. The priorities here include establishing safe pedestrian and bicycle access through town and across major roadways on our perimeter, and making use of grants to help do this.
- *Desirable housing stock* is critical to the Town's attractive ambiance, maintaining this through strong code enforcement.

The report from this Strategic Planning Retreat will soon be available on the Town's website. The work from these retreats always happens in the future, however, and that is the case here. Mayor and Council will begin in the new year to further sort out the priorities we have established and to plan how to make them happen. This is your invitation to pay attention, show up, speak up, and participate in what will be a continuing effort to envision and build the University Park for our future.

—Len Carey

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

Curbside Leaf Vacuuming Concludes Jan. 13



Leaf vacuuming will occur November 1, 2016-January 13, 2017.

- Crews will work counterclockwise through Town as follows: Ward 2, Ward 1, Ward 3, Ward 5, Ward 4, Ward 7 & Ward 6.
- 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.
- Check the Town website under the public works heading for updates and changes. You will also find a ward map at www.upmd.org.

Leaf Collection After January 13

All leaves must be bagged in paper bags or a durable container and placed at the curb. The county no longer accepts leaves in plastic bags. Leaves will be picked up on Mondays with yard waste.

Questions?

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

FROM THE CHIEF & CRIME REPORT

The Town of University Park has embraced the Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) as an additional resource for action at the grass roots level. Members of CERT are trained and prepared to respond in all emergencies. The CERT members have been equipped with radios provided by the UPPD and a radio channel specified for use in communications.

CERT is about readiness, people helping people, rescuer safety and doing the greatest good for the greatest number. CERT is a positive and realistic approach to emergency and disaster situations where citizens will be initially on their own and their actions can make a difference. Through training, citizens can manage utilities and put out small fires; treat the injured by opening airways, controlling bleeding and treating for shock; provide basic medical aid; search for and rescue victims safely and organize themselves and spontaneous volunteers to be effective.



CERT training educates individuals about disaster preparedness for hazards that may impact their area and trains them in basic disaster response skills, such as fire safety, light search and rescue, team organization and disaster medical operations. Using training learned in the classroom and during exercises, CERT volunteers can assist others in their community following a disaster when professional responders are not immediately available to help. CERT volunteers are also encouraged to support emergency response agencies by taking an active role in emergency preparedness projects.

The University Park CERT has been active in the community for over 10 years. As coordinators and active participants in annual emergency drills, the UPCERT has conducted a variety of drills ranging from search & rescue, pandemic flu, continuity of government, communications and natural disasters. They have been activated

for real-life emergencies in UP including a derecho, snowstorms, power outages and floods. More importantly, they participate as active volunteers during numerous town events including Halloween, the Azalea Classic, 4th of July parade, flu vaccinations and just about any other event where extra help is needed.

CERT members must comply with the requirements of CERT training as well as comply with all federal, state and local laws when functioning as a CERT member. They are not police officers, firefighters or paramedics.

Their first responsibility is to the well-being of themselves and their family and they are trained to stay within the scope of the training under FEMA's CERT program. The UPCERT is led by Tom Stickle and includes Kate & Bruce Beveridge, Peggy and Jay Winton, Art Garroway, Cindy Hess, Ned Goldberg, Brian Jackson, Pete Griva, Dave Palmer and Dan Wilkenson. The time and effort this group has put into town events and understanding the need to be prepared is amazing. A huge Thank You from the Town of University Park is well deserved.

The UPCERT appreciate your efforts to stay prepared for emergencies and recommend that each household:

- Have a three-day supply of food and drinking water on hand for each member of your family.
- Have a portable radio with extra batteries for important information and a secondary means to power your computer.
- Restock your first aid supplies, blankets, flashlights and other necessities.
- Rehearse a family disaster plan, fire drill and designated meeting place.
- Have your gas/oil furnace checked and serviced.
- Change the batteries in your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors.
- Update your emergency phone contacts.
- Make sure your sump pump is working properly.
- Pets are family members, too. Provide food, water and shelter for them as well.
- Keep your car full of gas and re-check your vehicle emergency kit.

These are the basic needs for any type of emergency. Being prepared will ease the stress and anxiety of the situation at hand.

Happy New Year!

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Tree Committee News

The Committee on Trees, Parks, and Environment is on approved sabbatical until February. Happy New Year to all friends of trees. Keep a few spaces open on your new calendar for our many volunteer activities in 2017.

January's Notable Tree: *Quercus phellos*, Willow Oak, 44th and E-W Highway.

January's notable tree is reputed to be University Park's oldest living organism, *Quercus phellos*, Willow Oak. It is hypothetically older than the oldest house in the area, Riversdale, completed in 1807. It was already standing before UP's oldest house, Deakins Hall at 6404 Queen's Chapel, had its foundation laid in the 1820s. The Willow Oak is a fine southern oak, in Maryland near the northern terminus of its range. It has the smallest acorn of all oaks, requiring 462 to produce a pound. Come tip your hat and salute this venerable specimen at the corner of 44th and East-West Highway (facing 44th). As we begin the new year, such spectacles of enduring, accumulated age provide a sobering perspective and connect us to our common heritage.



-Chris Aubry, on behalf of the Committee on Trees, Parks, and Environment

November 21 Council Meeting Highlights

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

Agenda approved 7 to 0. CM Gekas requested having a discussion at a future Council meeting on the condition and permitting of the Town field.

Presentations

President of the Riverdale Fire Department Steve Lamphier explained their role and coverage area in University Park.

- Wards 3, 5 and 1 up to 43rd Avenue and Ward 4 up to Beechwood are covered by the Riverdale Fire Department. The remaining areas of University Park are covered by the Hyattsville Fire Department.
- Riverdale Fire Department is the oldest station in the county, which is 100% volunteer with approximately 40

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members.

- Challenges in the department are aging apparatus, no Spanish-speaking volunteers and the need for future leaders.

Mayor Carey presented Mr. Lamphier with a donation from the Town of University Park and expressed his and the Council's appreciation for all they do.

Prince George's County Council Member Dannielle Glaros, District 3, discussed the status of repair work to Metro and the Purple Line.

- There will be a Listening Session conversation at Robert Harper Books in Riverdale Park on December 4 from 2-4 PM.
- The Purple Line has hit a speed hump. While waiting for the judge's decision to move on the project, all design work and preparatory work is still ongoing.
- On December 1, the artists selected to help integrate art into all Purple Line stations will be at the College Park Community Center to hear community input.
- In mid-December, an employment office will be opening on Kenilworth Avenue. There are a lot of jobs associated with the Purple line project.
- Councilmember Glaros distributed a fact sheet on "Pathways to Opportunity: A Community Development Agreement for the Purple Line Corridor." Councilmember Glaros asked that everyone consider supporting the Agreement.
- Park and Planning will be bringing on a consultant to take a regional approach on transportation strategies and to determine a timeline for the implementation of a Transportation Demand Management District.
- Beginning next year, the public will be able to access all committee conversation where legislative business is handled by going to: www.pgccouncil.us/district3

Permits

Motion to approve the request for a building permit to construct a 11.6'x 9.7' covered porch addition and to add a 3'x 5.5' canopy to the side entry stoop located at 4410 Beechwood Road. Motion approved 7 to 0.

Motion to approve the request for a building permit to replace, partially relocate and widen existing walkway to 5', located at 6909 Forest Hill Drive. The proposed construction includes a 45' extension adjacent to the curb, which is in the Town right-of-way. As part of the permit, the Town would grant a license for the walk

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way to be placed in the right of way, subject to removal by the applicants if required by the Town with notice. Issuance of permit and grant of license does not convey to applicants any fee or easement property rights to the right-of-way. Applicants are required to sign a license agreement. Motion approved 7 to 0.

New Business

Motion to adopt Resolution 16-R-09 to support the Prince George's County Municipal Collaboration FY 2017 MEA Empower LMI Communities Grant application and DHCD Sustainable Communities-Community Legacy Grant application. Motion approved 7 to 0.

Mayor's Report

- The PGCMA Legislative Dinner is scheduled for December 7. Mayor Carey will not be able to attend and offered his ticket to an interested Councilmember.
- Maryland Municipal League's Time to Talk-Maryland will have their first regional forum on Tuesday, December 13 from 7-9 PM in Glenarden. Mayor Carey encouraged all Councilmembers to attend.
- At the next Council meeting, Mayor Carey stated that there will be a broader discussion on the "Pathways to Opportunity: A Community Development Agreement for the Purple Line Corridor." He proposed that the Town of University Park get behind this Agreement.
- Mayor Carey distributed a copy of the letter sent to the University of Maryland and to the City of College Park on behalf of the Town, asking to participate in their mBike Program.
- At the December 19 Council meeting, the Council will hear the report of the Auditor for Fiscal Year 2016.

Department and Council Reports

CM Alvarez reminded Mayor Carey that in September a motion was passed to consider closing Sheridan Street at Baltimore Avenue. The plan was to be presented within 60 days. Mayor Carey stated that there has been some discussion with his staff on this subject. CM Alvarez confirmed with Mayor Carey that he had received the draft letter regarding the pedestrian way on Clagett Pineway.

CM Verrill asked when the summary of the work will be available that was done at the retreat on November 18-19. Mayor Carey stated that it should be available very soon and that he proposes to discuss this in a work session. He hopes to eventually adopt this as the Strategic Plan for future projects. He would also like to append

the Strategic Plan to the budget proposal each year. The Mayor plans to revisit this in two years.

CM Caskey will not be at the December 5 Council meeting. He expressed that he is in support of the Purple Line Corridor.

Development Overview Committee Next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, December 14 at 7:30 PM.

Town Clerk Tracey Toscano reported that a backup bus driver has been hired to fill in on occasion as a substitute bus driver.

Town Treasurer Dan Baden distributed the October 2016 Treasurer's Report. He also distributed and briefly explained the Audit Report.

Police Chief Wynnyk distributed the October 2016 Crime Report. He reported that he attended Prince George's County Chief's meeting, Social Justice Work Movement, and Leadership Seminar. The Town had two successful events: chili cook-off and Halloween. In the process of repainting and refurbishing the police station.

Public Works Director Michael Beall reports that:

- 78 trees have been planted throughout town.
- A sewer line is being replaced at 6403 Queens Chapel Road. A tree at this location will be removed and replaced with another tree to complete the project. The tree will be replaced if the transplant is not successful.
- The Veterans Memorial is mostly completed except for the addition of a sign and some plantings.
- Stumps from the trees removed by Pepco in the public right-of-way have been removed and replanted with topsoil and seeded.
- Leaf removal is going well and is ahead of schedule.
- The bridge on Van Buren Street has been removed. For safety reasons the fence and barrels remain. If everything goes well, the new bridge should be installed by mid-2017.

The meeting adjourned by consent at 10 PM.

December 5 Council Meeting Highlights

Present were Mayor Carey; Councilmembers (CM) Thompson, Gekas, Hess, Verrill, Alvarez. Excused: Caskey, Cron.

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Permits

Motion to approve the request for a building permit to install a 16KW 48"x 25" stand-alone natural gas generator with a 100 AMP ATS located at 7001 Forest Hill Drive. Motion approved 5 to 0.

Motion to approve the request for a building permit to build 20'x 24' two-car detached garage and to expand existing 13'x 18' driveway to 18'x 20' located at 6423 Adelphi Road. Motion approved 5 to 0.

Public Comment

- A resident expressed his concern about the events that took place after the election regarding the talk of deporting immigrants and registering Muslims. He asked what our government can do here in University Park to protect what we cherish. He made the following suggestions of what could be done: promote block parties, possibly become a sanctuary town (after some research and consideration), and it would be a good thing to build a point of unity with neighboring communities.
- A resident stated that there is a new group in town called UP Racial Justice. Their next meeting will be held on Wednesday, December 7 at Ms. Teichert's home.
- A Councilmember expressed interest in getting more information on what a "sanctuary county" means and asked that the entire Council learn about this and consider whether or not it's viable for University Park to become a sanctuary city. Mayor Carey asked that the Council Committee on Policy, Rules and Municipal Structure and the Council Committee on Police, Traffic and Public Safety work together and get information on a "sanctuary county/city," and recommend to the Council a course of action.
- A Councilmember said that the University Park Civic Association does a lot of wonderful things to bring the Town together and the local church has four denominations and the Town welcomes them all. It was suggested that the county handle any possible future issues that may arise rather than the Town of University Park.

New Business

Motion to consent to the appointment of Ms. Melanie Aclander to the University Park Ethics Commission for a term of 2 years, per Section 12-103 of the Town Code. Members of the Ethics Commission may continue to serve in the position after the expiration of the term until they are removed or a successor is appointed and qualifies. No commission member shall be removed except for good cause. Motion approved 5 to 0.

Motion to support the principles expressed in the Community Development Agreement for the Purple Line Corridor, to authorize the Mayor to send a letter in behalf of the Town expressing this support, and to work with other county and municipal officials toward achievement of the principles expressed in the agreement. Motion approved 5 to 0.

Motion to approve a special 2016 holiday compensation in the amount of \$300 net of deductions for each current, active employee as of December 1 of that year.

Motion to amend the motion and increase the 2016 holiday compensation to \$400. Motion approved 5 to 0.

Motion to approve a special 2016 holiday compensation in the amount of \$400 net of deductions for each current, active employee as of December 1 of that year. Motion approved 5 to 0.

Motion to approve the proposed 2017 University Park Council Meeting Schedule. Motion approved 5 to 0.

Mayor's Report

- A copy of the Strategic Planning Retreat Report was distributed. Mayor Carey asked that Councilmembers review the report and forward any changes to him by December 15. It was suggested that a conversation be held on the report when all Councilmembers are present. Mayor Carey said he would like to append the overall Strategic Planning Framework from the report to the budget proposal for each year.
- There have been several requests from residents whether the Town bus would be available to transport residents to the metro station on Saturday, January 21 for the Women's March on Washington. A decision will be made at a later time.
- Mayor Carey reported that there are no piers at the Van Buren bridge location. The bridge at Tennyson has some rotted boards and rusted support beams. A plan is being made to fix the Tennyson bridge during the summer.
- CM Verrill and the Town Attorney will attend the Prince George's County Municipal Association Legislative dinner scheduled for December 7.
- On December 13, the Maryland Municipal League is having their *Time to Talk MD* forum on how to have difficult conversations. Mayor Carey and Town Clerk Toscano are attending. All Councilmembers are encouraged to attend.

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- Mayor Carey invited Mr. Regulinski to come to a Council meeting in January to brief the Council on Riverdale Park Station.
- Mayor Carey distributed information on an event scheduled for January 16, 2017 hosted by Senator Pinsky and the 22nd Legislative District delegation to celebrate Martin Luther King's Birthday.

Department and Council Reports

Tree Committee The Tree Committee rescheduled their meeting to December 7.

Green Team The Green Team is scheduled to meet on Thursday, December 8.

Policy, Rules and Municipal Structure Committee The draft proposal for the new town website should be completed this week. Mayor Carey said that his objective is to issue the request for proposals early in January, to allow thirty days for response and to have a new website up and operating by mid 2017.

Mr. Alvarez asked if there are piers under the Beechwood bridge and if not, is this a safety issue? Mayor Carey said the engineers looked at the Beechwood bridge and the report noted the bridge is safe for use, but that in the next few years it will need to be replaced.

CM Hess heard a rumor that Whole Foods is pulling out. Mayor Carey responded by saying that he recently spoke with County Council Member Dannielle Glaros who said that Whole Foods is expected to be open by Easter.

Mayor Carey said that Larry Taub of Cafritz LLC plans to attend the Development Overview Meeting scheduled for December 14 to propose some minor amendments to the Detailed Site Plan regarding hedges.

The meeting adjourned by consent at 10 PM.



Helping Hands UP

Helping Hands UP, a newly established aging-in-place grassroots organization in town, wants to thank all the individuals who stopped by our table on Election Day and at the UPCA Holiday Potluck. We've had nearly 40 people volunteer to assist our local seniors and about a dozen seniors indicate they'd welcome some help. We've been receiving applications from residents

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who clipped them out of the December UP Newsletter and hope that will continue! If you haven't signed up and would like to ask for help, or to lend a hand, please email us at HHUniversityPark@gmail.com or call us at 301-892-6636. We have already started lending a hand to a couple of residents. Several volunteers have been helping pack boxes in a resident's house as she moves to a small group home, and another volunteer assisted with several small home repairs. *Teens*: sign up with us before it snows. Earn community service hours and do a good deed by shoveling a senior's walk and driveway. Email us at HHUniversityPark@gmail.com giving your name, email address, phone # and your street address. We'll be in touch when it snows.

UPCA News



The UPCA wishes all our neighbors a Happy New Year! We are taking a short break from events this month, but we are busy planning yet another active year in 2017. Please keep in mind that with a new year, we need your 2017 dues to keep our activities running, at only \$25 per family. Please visit <http://www.upcivicassociation.com/join.html> and you can use PayPal to pay your dues online. Thanks to everyone that attended the annual Holiday Pot Luck and Tree Lighting last month. We had a big crowd that came out to support the UPCA, Woman's Club and Helping Hands UP. Also, a big thank you to all our volunteers that helped with set up, crafts and clean up, and a big thank you to Jodi Cohen who ran the dreidel table and Abby Schneider who ran the craft table. Last but certainly not least, a huge thank you to Debra Suarez who chaired this event. We appreciate all your hard work for this well attended annual event! University Park grows each month as new families move in. The UPCA greets each new household with a welcoming committee, who puts together an information packet on the area and gives a small gift from our organization. In 2017 and beyond, Curtis Burrill has graciously volunteered to take this position on. We'd also like to thank Nicole Lucier and Dana Shea for heading these efforts for the past few years. Are you interested in taking a role in the UPCA? We're looking for new members for our organization's board. Let us know if you're interested by contacting Connie Visnic at connie.visnic@gmail.com. Finally, a reminder for those wanting to keep informed of our activities via email: join our listserv! You can browse to <http://upcivicassociation.com/listserv> for more information.

**University Park Woman's Club
2017 Scholarships**

Doris McPhee Memorial Scholarship

This one-year \$1500 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 \$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 who joined the club prior to June 30, 2015, and 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.

Applications and further information can be found at <http://www.upmd.org/?documents>. For questions, email upmdwc@gmail.com. Completed applications are due Monday, April 3, 2017.

UPWC House Decorating Contest Winners

Most Unique

Cotter 4301 Van Buren St.

Best Whole House

1st Jack Isbell
4000 College Heights Dr.



2nd Dorn/Lesiw
7008 40th Ave.

3rd Mooney
4001 Remington Ct.

Best Door Front

1st Leonardi
6714 Queens Chapel Rd.

2nd Burrill/Gentile
4202 Clagett Rd.

3rd Behneman
4201 Tuckerman St.

Signs have been placed in the winner's yards.

**UP Woman's Club Meeting
Monday, January 9, 11:30 AM**

Our featured speaker is Amanda Helin, a professional horticulturist and UP resident, who is the garden director at Riversdale House Museum. We will hear how Rosalie Steir Calvert envisioned and used her estate gardens in the 19th century and how today's 21st century staff honors that vision and adapts it to today's garden ideals. Please join us at the University Christian Church, 6800 Adelphi Rd. for registration and conversation at 11:30, light lunch at noon, followed by the program at 12:45. Guests are always welcome. RSVP to UPWCvp2@gmail.com or call Pat Myers, 301-439-6813.

Did you know? For 70 years, the UPWC has awarded scholarships to outstanding graduates from Northwestern HS and other area schools. This year the award will be increased! Hurray for our supporters of the fundraisers.

**The 2nd Saturday Lecture Series
Saturday, January 14, 5 PM**

January's event is a presentation from Mona Kessel, Program Scientist for the Van Allen Probes mission at NASA HQ. The topic is The Van Allen Probe and Space Weather. With the passing of John Glenn, eyes have turned to NASA, remembering the glory days of orbiting and then walking on the Moon. But before man could go to space, unmanned rockets explored the space environment above us and found some surprising things. Dr. Kessel describes the very early days starting in 1947 with V-2 rockets launched from White Sands Proving Ground to the first discovery of the space age-the Earth's radiation belts-with the launch of Explorer 1 in 1958. She then jumps ahead to what we know today about this mysterious region of space and why you should care-an introduction to space weather and how it affects life and society. Please invite your neighbors and friends.

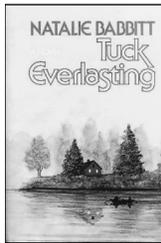


COMMUNITY CALENDAR

After 8 Book Group

Tuesday, January 17, 8-10 PM

January's book is *Tuck Everlasting* by Natalie Babbitt. February's book is *My Brilliant Friend* by Elena Ferrante. Please call Mollie Huitema 301-927-5836 or Laura Donnelly at 301-927-6550 for more information.



Qigong & Tai Chi Lessons

Saturdays, 8-9:30 AM

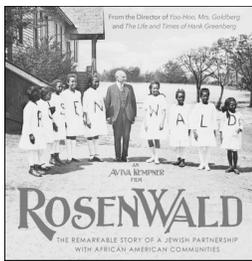
Come join us to learn the ancient Chinese martial art often referred to as "meditation in motion" and leave feeling relaxed and energized. Free. Hosted by University Park Church of the Brethren, 4413 Tuckerman Street. For more information, call 301-466-5894.

College Park Arts Exchange

Your generous donations for free events are always appreciated. Contact info@cpae.org or 301-927-3013 for more information.

Rosenwald Documentary, Friday, January 6, 7:30 PM

CPAE teams with movies@hope (www.hopecp.org) for this free screening. Jewish philanthropist Julius Rosenwald helped African American communities build over 5,300 schools during the early 20th century, including the Lakeland School in College Park.



County historian Susan Pearl will lead the discussion. Hope Lutheran Church, 4201 Guilford Drive.

Folding Paper Stars, Saturday, January 7, 1-4 PM

This traditional German craft brings bright colors to winter windows! Led by Ingrid Hass. Appropriate for both children and adults. College Park City Hall Council Chambers, 4500 Knox Road. \$10. RSVP by January 4.

Mini Bop Disco for Parents and Children, Sunday,

January 15, 3-4:30 PM Come dance to great hits in our neighborhood disco! Youth and Family Services, 4912 Nantucket Avenue, near Rhode Island/Edgewood.

Winter Community Concert, Tuesday, January 17,

7:15 PM College Park United Methodist Church, 9601 Rhode Island Ave. Free and open to the public. Second semester of Youth Choir begins 1st Tuesday in February.

Yoga with CPAE, Thursdays, 8:30-9:30 PM Come and explore yoga with ParaYoga certified teacher Geneva Moss! We focus on poses and movement to help relieve stress and tensions from the week, rejuvenate the mind, body and energy and restoratives to nourish a good night's sleep. Bring your own mat and any props you like to use. The class is intended for ages 16 and over, mixed ability levels, with a primary focus on restorative poses. \$12 drop-in, \$60 for six weeks. Go to www.cpae.org for upcoming dates. College Park City Hall, 4500 Knox Road.

College Park parkrun, Every Saturday, 9AM Wouldn't it be great to start every weekend with a non-competitive 5k walk or run? Join us any Saturday of the year at 9 AM at 4289 Metzert Road on the beautiful Paint Branch Trail. Get yourself a free runner barcode by registering here: www.parkrun.us/collegepark. Bring the barcode with you-you will need it at the finish line.

Independent Film Series, *Dirt! The Movie*, Monday,

January 23, 7 PM This engaging documentary reminds us that what matters on this planet happens in the first 6-8 inches of soil, the layer that makes much of life on earth possible. Eco City Farms, a non-profit educational urban farm with locations in Bladensburg and Edmonston, will join the conversation and share what they are doing in your neighborhood. The discussion following the screening will be facilitated by Talaya Grimes of the Creative Edge Collaborative. Refreshments provided. Hyattsville Library.



Twelfth Night Ball, Saturday,

January 14, 7:30 PM Cap off the holiday season in festive style at our Regency ball and supper. Period attire admired but not required, and black tie is also welcome. Advance pay-

ment required by December 31, call 301-864-0420. Resident \$40; Non-Resident \$52. Riversdale, 4811 Riverdale Road, Riverdale Park 20737.

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.





University Park Town Council 2017 Adopted Meeting Schedule *All meetings are open to the public.*

January 9 January 23	July 10 July 24
February 6 February 13	August 14
March 6 March 20	September 11 September 18
April 3 April 17	October 2 October 16
May 1 May 15	November 6 November 20
June 5 June 19	December 4 December 18

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.

Monday, January 2	New Year's Day
Monday, January 16	Martin Luther King Jr. Day
Monday, February 20	Presidents' Day
Monday, May 29	Memorial Day
Tuesday, July 4	Independence Day
Monday, September 4	Labor Day
Monday, October 9	Columbus Day
Friday, November 10	Veterans Day
Thursday, November 23	Thanksgiving
Friday, November 24	Employee Appreciation Day
Monday, December 25	Christmas Day

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 New Year's Day	2 Town Holiday Town Hall closed, no shuttle service, no waste pick up	3 Trash	4 Yard Waste	5 Recycling	6 Trash	7
8	9 Yard Waste Town Council, 7:30 PM	10 Trash	11	12 Recycling	13 Trash Last Day for Curbside Leaf Vacuuming	14 2nd Saturday: The Van Allen Probe and Space Weather, 5 PM
15	16 Town Holiday Town Hall closed, no shuttle service, no waste pick up	17 Trash After 8 Book Group, 8-10 PM	18 Yard Waste Development Overview Committee Meeting, 7:30 PM	19 Recycling	20 Trash	21 Qigong & Tai Chi Lessons, 8-9:30 AM
22	23 Yard Waste Town Council, 7:30 PM	24 Trash	25	26 Recycling	27 Trash	28
29	30 Yard Waste	31 Trash				





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