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MAYOR'S COLUMN

As expected, I sent my proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2018 to the Council on April 1, and they began the many decisions about what the Town will do or not do and resulting Town tax rates. On May 22, the Council approved the Town budget for fiscal year 2018, which begins July 1. Given the regional economic outlook and resulting fiscal uncertainties described in my April column, the budget as proposed, considered and approved, was necessarily tight. Town council and staff have given a great deal of attention to ensuring that the ongoing work indeed goes on, while looking ahead to the next fiscal year and new projects. The ongoing, day-to-day work of Town government—public works, police, code compliance, and other—will go on in fiscal 2018 at current levels of service, much as it has in the past several years. Meanwhile, several large projects begun in the past fiscal year will continue toward completion:

- *Bridges Engineering* and design have begun for replacement of the pedestrian bridge formerly across Wells run at Van Buren Street with a prefabricated wooden bridge to be placed a few feet further downstream to better align with a sidewalk and stop sign at the intersection. We hope to have this completed by the end of this calendar year. Engineering and design have begun also to replace the pedestrian bridge at Beechwood Road within the next few years. The Zoe Falkenberg pedestrian bridge at the end of Tennyson Road next to University Park Elementary School will be repaired in-place this summer.

- *Town Website* The Town has contracted with a website design company, CivicPlus, to design and host a new Town website. We anticipate that the Town's new upmd.org website will be up by December to bring improved operations, more timely information, and a more easily navigable web presence.

Town Meetings & Special Dates

Town Council	July 10 & 24, August 14
Development Overview Committee	July 19

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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FROM THE CHIEF & CRIME REPORT

Vacation Safety Tips

Please contact the UPPD and we will check the exterior of your home daily.

- Stop mail, newspapers and other deliveries or ask a neighbor to collect it.
- Turn your alarm on and use outside lights on motion detectors. Also use timers to turn lights and a radio or TV on and off at appropriate times.
- Arrange to have yard work done and have a neighbor set out trash on normal collection days. Trash and recycle bins should be removed from the curb on the same day.
- Turn the ringers on phones down or off. Never program it to announce you're out of town or give another number where you can be reached. Avoid announcing on social media that you are away for extended periods.
- Set your air conditioner to a higher temperature, but don't turn it off. A silent compressor on a hot day indicates a house is unoccupied.
- If you have an alarm system, make sure it works. If it's connected to a monitoring service, tell them when you'll be gone and where you're going, along with a phone number of the person keeping an eye on things. A home protected by a security system is three times less susceptible to a break-in than one without.
- Don't leave a garage door opener in the car, especially if you are parking your car on the street. Unplug an electric garage door opener before you leave.
- Do not keep keys hidden outside of your home or in your garage. Intruders know all the secret places of where keys could possibly be hidden.
- Before leaving, walk around your home. After everyone is in the car, check to make sure that all windows and doors are securely locked and that the alarm system has been properly armed.

If traveling by car make a safety kit for your vehicle, which should include basic tools, jumper cables, emergency flares, flashlight, jug of water, basic first aid pack and a fluorescent safety vest. Also



remember that criminals take vacations too. They apply the same principles of opportunity and take advantage of the situation regardless of where they are. They know we

are complacent in an atmosphere of relaxation. Keep your car doors locked and valuables out of sight at rest stops. Lock the doors of your beach cottage when you are out and about. Pickpockets take advantage of crowded venues. Keep track of the credit cards you carry. Be aware of suspicious behavior regardless of where you are and report it to the police. Nothing ruins a vacation more than being the victim of a crime. Take precautions as a habit, even on vacation.

If you stay in beautiful University Park this summer to avoid the hustle and bustle of travel, be vigilant of our community. Know when your neighbor is going away and keep watch on their home-it makes your own home safer as well. Report any suspicious activity immediately. Don't hesitate to ask unfamiliar faces if you can help them. Someone knocking on the front door and then walking to the rear of a home when there is no answer is *not* normal activity. Walking down the street and checking a car door to see if it will open is also *not* normal activity. If it doesn't feel right, it probably isn't. Please call the UPPD and we will help you resolve your suspicions, and please call sooner rather than later.

Fourth of July Celebrations

Fireworks are illegal in Prince George's County and a violation of Town Code. Fireworks are not toys. They burn at very high temperatures, cause serious injuries and ignite clothing if used improperly. July traditionally is a very dry month and fireworks easily ignite grass, leaves, trees and homes. *Never* give fireworks to young children. Even sparklers can be unsafe. The safest way to enjoy this holiday is to attend an official fireworks display in the area.



Everyone riding their bicycle in the July 4th bicycle parade should remember to always wear a helmet! More children ages 5 to 14 are seen in emergency rooms for injuries related to biking than any other sport. Helmets can reduce the risk of severe brain injuries by 88 percent, yet only 45 percent of children 14 and under wear a bike helmet. *Use your head, wear a helmet.* It's the most effective safety device available to reduce head injury and death from bicycle crashes. The UPPD will have some helmets to give away to be sure everyone is safe.

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Theft On May 3 between 2:35 and 4:30 PM in the 4300 block of Underwood St. suspect/s stole a wallet from a purse in the office area of UPES. The purse contained cash, credit cards and gift cards. In-store video where cards were used displayed a person of interest but unable to identify suspect at present. The investigation is ongoing.

Theft from Auto Between May 5 10:20 PM and May 7 10:10 AM in the 6700 block of 44th Ave. suspect/s entered an unlocked 2007 Honda Civic and stole a gym bag containing red pump shoes. No suspect was located. The investigation is ongoing.

Theft from Auto Between May 5 6:30 PM and May 7 7:30 AM in the 6700 block of 41st Ave. suspect/s entered an unlocked 2015 Toyota Corolla and stole an umbrella and some coins. No suspect was located. The investigation is ongoing.

Theft from Auto Between May 6 5 PM and May 7 11:45 AM in the 4300 block of Underwood St. suspect/s entered an unlocked 2004 Toyota Corolla and an unlocked 2012 Nissan Altima and stole three winter coats and two iPhone charger cables. No suspect was located. The investigation is ongoing.

Stolen Auto On May 7 between 11 and 12:35 AM in the 6700 block of 44th Ave. Suspect/s stole a 2012 Ford Focus that was parked in the driveway of the residence. No suspect was located. The investigation is ongoing.

Breaking & Entering On May 11 between 9 AM and 6:30 PM in the 4000 block of Beechwood Rd. suspect/s broke into the residence through a rear basement door and stole two laptop computers and two bicycles. The home owner returned at 6:30 PM to find the home had been broken into and various rooms had been ransacked. The UPPD and PGPD were notified and the home was processed for fingerprints and the neighborhood was canvassed for witnesses. No suspect/s was located. The investigation is ongoing.

Breaking & Entering On May 17 at 4:55 PM in the 7100 Block of Forest Hill Rd. UPPD officers responded to the sound of an audible house alarm. Upon arrival officers observed a rear kitchen window had been broken and raised to an open position. The home was checked by officers and upon arrival of the homeowners it was

determined that suspect/s stole an Apple iPad and Kindle Fire. The home was processed for fingerprints and the neighborhood was canvassed for witnesses. No suspect/s was located. The investigation is ongoing.

Notice of Introduction of Ordinance 17-O-04

On June 19, 2017, Ordinance 17-O-04 was introduced. This ordinance would amend Chapter 13, "Housing", Article 2, "Rental Housing Code", Section 3-204, "Occupancy requirements" and Section 13-217, "Fire safety requirements" of the Code of Ordinances of the Town of University Park, to change the ceiling height for spaces to be used for habitation in rental housing to seven feet, to incorporate by reference in the rental housing code the Prince George's County Fire Code and the NFPA 101 Life Safety Code, and to clarify certain terms. The meeting set for July 10, 2017 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.

Notice of Introduction of Ordinance 17-O-05

On June 19, 2017, Ordinance 17-O-05 was introduced. This ordinance would amend Chapter 9 "Traffic and Vehicles", Article 1, "Traffic", Section 2-104, "Parking" of the Code of Ordinances of the Town of University Park to prohibit parking on the east side of 43rd Avenue for 100 feet north from its intersection with Route 410, East-West Highway, and on the east side of 44th Avenue for 100 feet north from its intersection with Route 410, East-West Highway. The meeting set for July 10, 2017 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.

Tree Committee News

Water for Living Verse

"Trees are poems the earth writes upon the sky. . ." Kahlil Gibran understood the value of trees and would urge us to take care of them. July, August and September are the three critical months where all of us must be attentive to the water needs of our plants, especially trees. Fortunately, Mother Nature takes care of this for us, by way of rain. In periods of drought we need to intervene.

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To test moisture levels, probe down 1.5 inches with a trowel. If the soil is dry at that depth, it's time to water. If you are going on vacation, set up a sprinkler or two that can reach all your trees and ask your neighbor to turn them on for an hour once a week.

Do you know a notable tree?

If you have a notable tree on your property, visible from the street, please notify the committee.

In preparation for the upcoming launch of the Town's new website, we are gathering candidates to be included on our interactive map. Please contact the committee at TreeComm@upmd.org.

Ivy League

Saturday, July 8, 9-11 AM

In July, the Ivy League will meet at the Pocket Park at the SW end of Queen's Chapel Road. We'll gather at the Henson Bench then walk a short distance to the mews between Sheridan and E-W highway. Please bring a set of garden pruning clippers and a large screwdriver, small pry bar or dandelion weeder. Long sleeve shirts and pants are recommended. Attendance at five sessions will earn volunteers a custom, limited edition, University Park Ivy League bandana. There will be no Ivy League in August.

The Committee on Trees, Parks and Environment is expanding its ivy removal efforts into the private sector, offering homeowners consultations and demonstrations. If you have ivy growing on your property that has climbed into your trees and shrubs, but are not sure if it's serious, or how to best remove it, please contact TPE to schedule a consultation and demonstration of effective control. Contact us via TreeComm@UPMD.org.

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

May 15 Council Meeting Highlights

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

Permits

Motion to approve the request for a building permit to replace a 4' fence located at 4407 Tuckerman Street. Motion approved 7 to 0.

Motion to approve the request for a building permit to

waterproof the exterior foundation with a French drain located at 6902 Wells Parkway. Motion approved 7 to 0.

Public Comment

A resident who is very supportive of the Helping Hands program, especially since there are a lot of elderly people living alone in Town, asked that the Council to consider funding for this group of volunteers who are leading the program.

Continuing Business

Motion to approve the adoption of Legislative Resolution 17-O03: Fiscal year 2018 Budget. The earliest date this motion may be considered for passage is May 15, 2017.

Motion to accept the amendments and request the Treasurer to update the 2018 proposed Budget and to bring it to the Town's special session meeting for Council consideration on May 22, 2017. Motion approved 7 to 0.

Department and Council Reports

Mayor's Report

A press conference is scheduled for 10 AM on Friday, May 19 at Town Hall to announce the expansion of the mBike system. Representatives from the University of Maryland, the City of College Park and others will be present. Mayor Carey had an interview with the Washington Post on May 15 about the mBike system.

CM Cron reported that when Mayor Carey was out of town, a request came in from the Mounted Park Police to use the new soccer field for a horse demo. CM Cron and the Director of Public Works made the decision that this request would not be granted.

Council and Committee Reports

Police, Traffic and Public Safety Committee Next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 18, at Town Hall at 7 PM.

Tree, Parks and Environment Committee At the last meeting, the Committee discussed two options for the Town field off Adelphi Road: 1) community gardens, 2) adding trees to make it more forested.

Development Overview Committee The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, May 17 at Town Hall at 7:30

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PM to discuss the parking garage, the number of parking spaces and signage for new businesses at Riverdale Park Station.

Town Clerk Tracey Toscano Ms. Toscano gave an update about the repair work to the bus bay area at Prince George's Metro station, which is expected to be completed over the next two weeks.

Mayor Carey responded to a question about the status of the auditor. He said the Town has an audit done every year; best practice is to go out to bid for auditing services as contracts expire. This request for proposal closes in thirty days; a proposal to select an auditing firm will be brought to the Council for their review and consideration.

Chief of Police Wynnyk The April 2017 Crime Report was distributed. The Chief is working with Public Works to clear the vegetation around stop signs. A new hire, Mr. David Johnson, is doing very well in his position and Chief believes he will be a good fit for the Town. The Code Enforcement Officer has begun rental inspections. Residents are complying with the letters sent out about tall grass.

Town Treasurer Dan Baden The April 2017 Treasurer's Report was distributed.

Director of Public Works Michael Beall The Mosquito Coordinator Amy Milne officially begins work for the Town's program on Thursday, May 17. A meeting on the Mosquito Program is scheduled for May 17 at the Church of the Brethren. All are encouraged to attend. The Public Works department is currently focused on cleaning up the edges of the park, along fence lines, etc. Approximately 21 ash trees will be removed (19 in the Town Park, and 2 additional trees in Town) due to the emerald ash borer disease.

Public Comment

A member of Helping Hands asked that the Town increase the amount of funds for this program from last year due to the cost of liability insurance, office space, office supplies and possible fees. The Help-



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.

ing Hands volunteer group is asking for an increase of \$5,000 for the FY 2018 Budget.

The meeting adjourned by consent at 9:40 PM.

May 22 Council Special Session Highlights

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

Public Comment

- A resident asked about the adjustment made due to the increased tax assessment. Mayor Carey said that University Park follows the constant yield tax rate. These figures can be found in the cover letter of the proposed FY 2018 Town Budget.
- How much will it cost for a Town Manager without a state grant? Mayor Carey said that without a grant the total cost would be approximately \$73,000 per year for a part-time position.
- A resident said that it would be nice if University Park would take a position asking the state not to raise the taxes.
- A resident said that he encourages the Town to hire a full-time Town Manager.

Motion: to override Council policy prohibiting a transfer of more than \$2,500.00 at the same meeting at which the transfer is proposed, and approve the transfer of \$10,000 from Public Works Payroll Taxes and Benefits line item and \$6,000 from Public Works Snow Removal line item, a total of \$16,000, to the Park Tree Maintenance line item due to the recent discovery of 20 public Ash trees which must be removed as a result of an infestation by the Emerald Ash Borer. Motion approved 7 to 0.

Motion: Per Section 2-105 (b) of the Town Ordinances, to override sealed bid procedures and approve the purchase of tree removal services from Adirondack Tree Experts for removal of Ash trees in University Park; good cause having been demonstrated that it is an emergency due to the Emerald Ash Borer infestation. Motion approved 7 to 0.

Legislative Resolution 17-O-03: Fiscal 2018 Budget

Council discussion will focus extensively on the fiscal year 2018 budget proposal to hire a part-time Town Manager, sharing services with another municipality

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through the Maryland Department of Housing and Community Development Circuit Rider Program.

Motion to approve the adoption of Legislative Resolution 17-O-03: Fiscal year 2018 Budget. Motion approved 7 to 0.

Public Comment

Note: Responses from Councilmembers, Town Attorney or the Mayor are italicized.

- A constituent of CM Verrill commented via email that they were not in favor of a Town Manager since there is not a lot of work to do in Town and that the Mayor is doing a lot of unnecessary work. Mr. Beall can take care of everything and he could get more volunteers to do the work.
- A constituent of CM Alvarez commented via email that they were in favor of a Town Manager.
- A constituent of CM Caskey expressed concern that the Mayor is the Chief Executive Officer and the head of the administrative branch and he expressed concern that the Chief Executive Officer function remain with an elected official with the Mayor. The Town should do their best to think of it in terms of the head of the administrative branch. The manager would be an administrator.
- A resident said that the people he spoke to about a Town Manager thought that this was a volunteer position. He said there may be a different reaction from residents if they are told about it costing approximately \$70,000.
- After looking at the list of tasks the Mayor does, it appears that some things may not benefit the Town, for example, attending meetings for the National Association for Mayors of Municipalities. *This resident was asked to list all of the tasks the Mayor should not do.*
- When comparing the towns, it would be interesting to know which of the towns have Managers and paid Mayors. *All the surrounding jurisdictions have Town Managers or Administrators, including College Park, Riverdale Park, Hyattsville, Brentwood, Mount Rainier, Berwyn Heights and Greenbelt.*
- A resident recommended taking a look at how Town taxes will be increased by any of these changes into consideration. Residents are concerned about tax increases.
- The Town needs to come up with a Rental Code

Officer who has bigger “muscles”, and not sure how this could fit in with the Town Manager position.

- The Town cannot continue to function the way it is. There are too many changes coming down from the county and state and no one should be expected to spend the amount of time that our current Mayor does. It just isn’t fair.
- The Town has nothing to lose in hiring a Town Manager with the state funded grant. The Town can make the final decision after two years if the Town Manager should continue or not.

The meeting adjourned by consent at 9 PM.

June 5 Council Meeting Highlights

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

Permits

Motion to approve the request for a building permit to install a 4’ fence at 4008 Beechwood Road. Motion approved 7 to 0.

Presentation

WSSC Project Manager Tom Fegley gave a PowerPoint presentation to inform the public on the large water main replacement project in sections of University Park and College Heights Estates. The presentation can be found on the University Park Town website. This project will replace a little over three miles of an old and failing water main line. Residents will be notified 48 hours before work begins on their street. During the project if residents have any concerns or questions, call the telephone number on the signs that will be posted.

Public Comment

- A resident recommended deferring action on agenda item 7B (Appeal of Rental License Requirement) until the Town is fully aware of what is going to be approved and how it maintains to any liability on the Town.
- In reference to agenda item 7B, this resident objects to the requested exemption.
- This resident would like to see temporary, short-term rentals be looked at in light of why we require rental permits of any kind and see if short-term rentals raise the same issues.

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- The Town should consider referring the rental issue to a Town Committee.
- As of today, a total of 400 mosquito traps have been purchased by residents. The resident encouraged Councilmembers to reach out to their friends to purchase the mosquito trap.
- A resident asked the Council to approve the Sustainability Action Plan. He suggested forming a permanent Citizens Committee to help push the suggestions that are stated in the Plan over the next several years.
- Several residents from the 4300 block of Sheridan Street asked the Town to help them find a solution with a particular neighbor. Mayor Carey and CM Thompson offered to meet with them to try to problem-solve.
- A resident asked for an update on the Clagett-Pineway pedestrian sidewalk. Mayor Carey said he is still exploring different options in an effort to improve pedestrian safety there without reducing available parking. CM Alvarez said that the Police, Traffic and Public Safety Committee are currently working on safety concerns and waiting for direction from the group who will be doing the traffic study.

Appeal Rental Housing Code (Per Town Code Section 13-210)

Excerpt from Town Code Article 2-Rental Housing Code, Section 13-210

Right to appeal.

Any person affected by any notice which has been issued in connection with the enforcement of any provision of this article, or of any rule or regulation adopted pursuant thereto, may request and shall be granted a hearing on the matter before the Town Council or its designated committee.

Motion: For a rental property at 4402 East West Highway with a basement ceiling height of seven feet one inch, to waive the requirement of Town Code Section 13-204(a) that habitable rooms have a clear ceiling height of seven and one third (7-1/3) feet, and to authorize issuance of a rental license.

Excerpt from Town Code Article 2 - Rental Housing Code, Section 13-204(a)

Occupancy Requirements.

- (a) *Minimum ceiling heights- Habitable rooms shall have a clear ceiling height of not less than seven and one-third (7-1/3) feet, except that in attics or top half stories the ceiling*

height shall be not less than seven (7) feet nor less than one-third (1/3) of the area of such space when used for sleeping, study or similar activity. In calculating the floor area of such rooms only those portions of the floor area of the rooms having a clear ceiling height of five (5) feet or more maybe included.

Motion to table the motion until there is some verification that Mr. Lin notifies his tenant about this change.

Motion to continue this case for the next sixty days. A temporary permit will be issued to this property until a decision from Council comes back. Motion approved 7 to 0.

Motion to request that the Mayor study the issue and bring back proposed legislation within sixty days and that there be a moratorium on enforcement of the ceiling height requirement in the basements of licensed rentals properties until that time. Motion approved 7 to 0.

Motion: For a single room rented using Airbnb.com located at 4202 Van Buren Street, to approve the request to waive the requirement of Town Code Section 13-203(a) that a rental license is required for any person to rent or lease any premises which is occupied by the owner and rented to more than one other person, including any single-family rental dwelling unit, multiple rental dwelling unit or rooming unit and to authorize such rental without a rental license.

Excerpt from Town Code Article 2 - Rental Housing Code, Section 13-203(a)

Rental property license and renewals.

(a) Rental license-It shall be unlawful for any person to rent or lease any non-owner occupied premises, or any premises which is occupied by the owner and rented to more than one other person, including any single-family rental dwelling unit, multiple rental dwelling unit or rooming unit within the Town of University Park, without having first obtained a license or temporary certificate to do so as hereinafter provided.

Public Comment

- The inspection cost should remain the same, whether the rental is for six months or one year, since the fee covers the cost of the inspection.
- University Park is generous for allowing a single renter and not requiring a license.

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- A \$400 fee should be a reasonable cost that a homeowner is willing to pay for the safety of someone staying in their home.

Motion: To ask the Council to review Town Code Article 2 - Rental Housing Code, Section 13-203(a). Rental property license and renewals. Note: Motion died for a lack of a second motion.

Motion: to deny the Appeal. Motion approved 6 to 0 (Verrill abstains).

New Business

Motion to approve and adopt the Sustainability Action Plan presented by the Green Team. Motion approved 7 to 0. Note: CM Thompson said that the technical amendments will be included in the Sustainability Action Plan before it becomes public.

Motion: Per Town Code Section 5-102, to amend the policy established in Resolution 05-R-06 regarding use of the Town Park, including Town sports field located west of the Town creek (Wells Run) and north of Queens Chapel Road, to restrict the use of cleats on the Town Field to children age 12 or younger and anyone participating in a youth program of the Lewisdale University Park Boys and Girls Club. Motion approved 7 to 0.

Motion to authorize the Mayor to write and send a letter to the M-NCPPC Urban Design Section to support with conditions the limited minor amendments to Detailed Site Plan 13009-11, for the Cafritz property, as recommended by the Development Overview Committee. Motion approved 7 to 0.

Motion to adopt Resolution 2017-R-04, supporting the Town's participation in the Maryland Town Manager Circuit Rider Program and authorize application to that Program. Motion approved 7 to 0. Note: Council requested a copy of the application for the Maryland Town Manager Circuit Rider Program including the job description.

Mayor and Council Reports

Mayor's Report

- On May 25, 2017, University Park received a Heritage Tourism Award from Maryland Milestones/The Anacostia Trail Heritage Area for being mBike part

ners. This award was shared with the City of College Park and the University of Maryland.

- Beginning July 1, the city of Hyattsville will add four more bike stations in their town. Riverdale Park Station will also have an mBike station.
- Per the action of the Council authorized on February 23, 2015, Mayor Carey intends to bring to the Council a one-year extension of the contract for the Editors of the University Park Newsletter.

Council and Committee Reports

Development Overview Committee Meeting scheduled for Wednesday, June 7, 2017 at 7:30 PM at Town Hall.

The meeting adjourned by consent at 9:55 PM.



4th of July Parade & Picnic

Tuesday, July 4, 10-1PM

Decorate your bikes, join a parade, play some games and enjoy a neighborhood potluck as the UP Civic Association celebrates Independence Day with our Annual 4th of July Parade and Picnic.

- 10:10:15 AM Arrive at UPES gazebo and drop off food and blankets for your family. Please bring a side dish or dessert to share and water or drinks for your family.
- 10:15-10:45 AM Walk to the top of Queen's Chapel Rd (near Town Hall) to decorate your bike, stroller, or pet and gather for the parade.
- 10:45-11 AM The Parade!
- 11 AM Back to the gazebo for lunch, Italian ice, games and prizes!

Please contact Connie Visnic (connie.visnic@gmail.com) and Michelle Pintur (mpintur@gmail.com) for any questions, or to volunteer for the event.



UPCA July Social: Tequila & Mescal Cocktail Class Friday, July 7, 7-9:30 PM

Join the UPCA at the Siegel Residence (7011 Wells Parkway), where they'll be sharing recipes for a Grilled

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Pineapple Tequila & Mescal Margarita, a Paloma, and a Habanero Ginger Beer Margarita! Mix your own, meet up with your neighbors, and enjoy the Friday night social. This is a 21+ only event. Please contact Stacy Siegel (siegel.stacy@gmail.com) for more info.

The 2nd Saturday Lecture Series Saturday, July 8, 5 PM

The July presenter is Dr. Mona Kessel, Program Scientist for the Van Allen Probes mission at NASA HQ. Her talk is *Dawn of the Space Age: Discovery of Earth's Radiation Belts*. 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.



The 2nd Saturday Lecture Series Saturday, August 12, 5 PM

Dr. Robert Headley's talk is entitled, *A Short History of the Battle of Waterloo, June 18, 1815*. The epic battle of Waterloo was fought in Belgium between the allies (English, Dutch, Belgians and Germans) under the Duke of Wellington and Marshal Blucher against the French under Napoleon. Beginning with a short introduction to set the stage, the talk follows the battle from beginning to end. Dr. Headley also discusses contemporary tactics, the major commanders and the series of mistakes committed by each side. The talk will be illustrated with slides and maps and a handout will be provided.

Qigong & Tai Chi Lessons Saturdays, 8-9:30 AM

Come join us to learn the ancient Chinese martial art and leave feeling relaxed and energized. Free. Hosted by University Park Church of the Brethren, 4413 Tuckerman Street. For more information, call 301-466-589.

Correction: The winner of the UPWC Doris McPhee Memorial scholarship is Kory Gaines, not Kory Grimes as reported previously.

UMD-RPAC Free Summer Concert Series, Wednesdays, 7 PM The schedule for the 2017 University of Maryland Woodwind Department/Riverdale Park Arts Council Town Center Market Summer Concert Series lineup: 7/19 Potomac Winds & Hart GP Jazz Duo

7/26 Jones Cello & Trombone Duo

8/2 Marcellino Jazz Trio

8/9 Morales Flute & Clarinet Duo

8/16 Reddix Jazz Quartet

8/23 Dougherty Brass Quartet Jazz Duo

Summer Saturdays Film Series, July and August, 7-9 PM Prince George's African American Museum and Cultural Center in collaboration with Electric Llama, a visual and audio and storytelling platform, and is having 4 film pop-ups at the museum over the summer. Each Summer Saturday Film Screening will include indoor/outdoor screenings of a film created by a local filmmaker and a Q&A segment.

7/15 *Last Night*, a romantic comedy, is the story of an unexpected adventure in D.C. when verbal sparring takes an intimate turn into soul-baring disclosures between strangers who might never meet again.

8/19 *Sugarland*, a documentary by Nicole Garder, is the story of a local family's unspoken history, and takes audiences on a journey through genealogical and ancestral findings. 4519 Rhode Island Avenue, North Brentwood.

Prince George's Running Club Welcomes Newcomers

Prince George's Running Club (PGRC) members include a range of runners: from those who are just starting out slowly to some who are very fast. What we offer:



- People of all shapes and sizes and running abilities to run with—all of them incredibly welcoming.

- Join us for the Running Start program that culminates in a 5k.

- Tuesday evenings, 6:45-8:00 PM: track night sessions at the UMD track.

- Thursday evenings: Short runs that begin at Wells Ice Rink.

- Sunday mornings: Long runs that begin at Mission BBQ on Route 193.

And so much more. Check out the website pgrc.org.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Saturday, August 12 2nd Saturday Lecture Series: A Short History of the Battle of Waterloo, 5 PM		Monday, August 14 Town Council, 7:30 PM				
2	3 Yard Waste 	4 Town Holiday Town Hall closed, no shuttle service, no waste pick up 4th of July Parade & Picnic, 10-1PM	5 Trash	6 Recycling 	7 Trash UPCA July Social: Tequila & Mescal Cocktail Class, 7-9:30 PM	8 Ivy League, 9-11AM 2 nd Saturday: Dawn of the Space Age: Discovery of Earth's Radiation Belts, 5 PM
9	10 Yard Waste Town Council, 7:30 PM	11 Trash	12	13 Recycling	14 Trash	15
16	17 Yard Waste	18 Trash	19 Development Overview Committee, 7:30 PM	20 Recycling	21 Trash	22 Qigong & Tai Chi Lessons, 8-9:30 AM 
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