

THE ULMSTEAD



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From the President

I hope everyone is staying safe and well as we mark the half-way point of 2020, the year of Covid-19, social distancing, and masks. What a strange new world. Please continue to stay vigilant and do your part to keep this virus out of our community, while we keep those who are not so fortunate in our prayers.

The pool has finally opened, which brings a little bit of normalcy to our summer. Please be aware of the new pool guidelines and talk to your kids to ensure they are following them so we can enjoy this asset for the entire summer.

Here are a few updates about what is going on in our community:

Barn: Permits have been obtained and work has finally commenced on restoring the structural integrity of the barn. We expect this work to be completed in the next few weeks and hope to report that the barn will be back available for use later this summer.

Security: The most common issue that we have faced in the last few weeks has been complaints of non-UCI members using UCI facilities. Everyone who is a UCI member must get stickers on their vehicles that will identify you as a resident. If you don't have a sticker, prepare to be questioned by vigilant neighbors who are doing their best to ensure that our assets are being used only by members and their guests. Also, let your children/teenagers know that they may be questioned in the same fashion. Too many non-members are using and abusing our facilities. Everyone reading this newsletter has a hand in paying for and maintaining our amenities. Get your stickers!

Fourth of July: We all knew this was coming, but it's my job to say it formally. I regret to inform you that there will not be any community July 4th celebration. The 2020 July 3rd dock party is also

cancelled. I'm sure that everyone will find ways to celebrate in their own way...but I sure do hate to miss the parade of decorated bikers riding through the neighborhood.

Everyone stay safe and don't forget to take a step back to appreciate the amazing community that I'm proud to call home.

Evan Hays
Ulmstead President
President@ulmstead.org

UCI DEPARTMENTS AND ACTIVITIES

SOCIAL

Scouts

Would you like to go camping, learn new skills, make new friends, and have fun? Once the current health crisis has passed, our troop will resume meeting every Thursday evening at 7 PM at the Gloria Dei Lutheran Church (until Ulmstead Barn repairs are complete) and will go camping one weekend every month. Come check us out! Also, we are still collecting worn out flags for a patriotic flag retirement ceremony. You can join even if you were never a Cub Scout. Contact Mike Allen for information at 410-919-8487.

NAUTICAL

Thanks to everyone for respecting the social distancing guidelines and not congregating on the docks. This allows everyone to safely enjoy our facilities.

While other parts of our economy have suffered, recreational boating is booming. Despite an uncertain start to the season, Ulmstead's docks are home to 90 boats thus far this year with new boats still arriving. In addition to the vessels occupying the piers, there are over 120 kayaks, canoes, paddleboards and various other small craft on the newly constructed racks at Docks 1 and 2. The surging popularity of these small boats has already exceeded the capacity of these racks. Nautical is looking to expand the storage by building additional racks before next year's boating season. With these facilities at or above capacity, it is important that only UCI members are using our facilities. Stickers are essential to determine legitimate users. Please store your boats so that the stickers are visible from the front of the racks. Trailers using the launching ramp also require stickers which should be placed near the front of the trailer.

Small boat stickers may be purchased from Barb Stone for \$10 for the first and \$5 for each additional sticker. Trailer stickers can be obtained from Lynne Andrews for \$50 with additional stickers at \$5 each. UCI vehicle stickers are also available from Lynne. If it becomes necessary to allocate spaces on the kayak racks, UCI bylaws require that those spaces be assigned by nautical department priority just as boat slips are selected. Becoming a resident or a UCI member does not automatically place one on this list. A request, in writing or email, to be placed on the Nautical Priority List must be sent to the Nautical Department Manager Dockmaster@ulmstead.org. This request must be confirmed and the date noted for one to be placed on the Nautical Priority List.

Last boating season, after several attempts at relocating the 6 knot marker, DNR determined that its current placement directly in front of Dock 2 is correct. In April 2020, Nautical submitted a petition to change the regulation by moving the 6 knot speed approximately 400 feet north. This would place the marker about 200 feet north of Dock 2 and close to its historical, though incorrect, location. A hearing of the Boating Advisory Committee to decide on our proposed regulation change has been scheduled for October 1, 2020. Support for this proposed change can be sent to michael.simonsen@maryland.gov. If our proposed change is approved, the new regulation will take effect in April of 2021. Look for updates as the meeting date approaches. Until then, Nautical will erect a SLOW/NO WAKE sign at the end of Dock 2. This should help to slow down boats and decrease wakes. Hopefully, this sign should be in place before the holiday weekend.

All Ulmstead marinas are posted with no swimming and diving signs. Boaters operating in and around the marinas have many issues to deal with and people in the water can be very difficult to see, especially during the glare of early morning or late afternoon sun. Additionally, marinas and boats pose potential electrical hazards to people in the water near the marinas. Stray electrical current can find its way into the water causing electrical shock and possible drowning. Parents, please make your children aware of the dangers of swimming around our marinas.

Stay well and enjoy a safe holiday weekend.

Bill Zichos
UCI Nautical, dockmaster@ulmstead.org

MEMBERSHIP

Please see print version for membership information.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

COVID-19- An Update

Dear Ulmstead neighbors and friends:

For those of you who do not know me, I am an Emergency Physician at Anne Arundel Medical Center. These past three plus months have been the most challenging of my life. Covid-19 has stolen health and lives from all ages but for the first time in months, I am hopeful that Maryland is benefitting from our diligence and sacrifices.

You may not have experienced the absolute heartbreak of personal loss of a loved one or even their prolonged hospitalization, so you may not see how wearing a mask or not socializing benefits you or your family. However, everyone's efforts at social distancing and smart choices for our family and selves has flattened our curve here in Maryland.

Our ICU is no longer full of Covid patients and we have had many happy discharges. Everyone is responsible for making this possible. As you grow weary of these sacrifices and isolation, let me encourage you to continue to make choices that protect you, your family and your neighbors. Wearing a mask, limiting social gatherings, following social distancing guidelines-- all make a huge difference. Please stay safe and I am begging everyone to keep up their efforts to avoid the dreaded

second wave. My healthcare family and I thank you for all your efforts.

Melissa Mikami, M.D.

Professional Photography Offered for UCI Members

Mark Overton has offered to share his professional portrait photography skills with our community. This is not a business solicitation; instead it is Mark's reaction to his noticing the lack of important markers for family milestones because of COVID-19. After losing his wife in April, he realized the impact of not having pictures of a memorial service, and then he realized what our high school seniors and college seniors would miss this year—no photos to memorialize those important moments in their lives. And as we march through 2020, there are more missed events that keep popping up. The Fourth of July usually provides yet more opportunities for great family photos that might perch on the mantle for the next decade or two.

Mark has offered his services to capture some of these moments, however different they may be than what we imagined. He will do individual or family portraits, including pets. Mark is not using a studio, so the photos could be taken outdoors at the point, the docks or a family's residence. He also has a knack for doing indoor portraits using natural window lighting, a trick he learned when he was doing wedding photography. Feel free to reach out to him directly at tennisphanatic55@gmail.com. Thank you, Mark, for your generous offer!

UCI OFFICERS AND VOLUNTEERS

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Please email any changes / updates to Weathervane@Ulmstead.org and Membership@Ulmstead.org. Thanks!

UCI Board of Directors
and liaison roles

Evan Hays – President, Tennis/Ball Fields
Jon Lane – Vice President, Nautical/Pool
Scott Shepard – Membership
Don Kiewitt – Beach
Mike Sawyer - Security
Bryan Murray – Barn
Colin Robertson
Bert Kelly
Renee Kelly

Secretary
Treasurer
Assistant Treasurer

DEPARTMENTS & ACTIVITIES

Barn Department	Nicole Roberts
Maintenance	Bryan Murray
Beach & Shore Department	Pat Shay
Reservations	Ginny Vernick
Nautical Department	Bill Zichos
Dock Party	Jessica Lane
Scenic Department	<i>Vacant</i>
Ball Field	Bob Svehlak
Beautification	Michelle Mahan
Security Department	JP Rue
Tennis Department	Stephanie Freeman
Maintenance	Mark Overton
Social Activities Department	<i>Vacant</i>
Senior Activities	B. Myers, P. Konrad
Adult/Family Events	
Spring into Summer	Membership Dept
July 4th Parade & Picnic	Jessica Lane/Mike Duvall
Fishing Tournament	Richard Harrison
Ladies Wine & Cheese	Gillian Duvall
Fall Camp-out	Vincent Hardick
Guy's Beer & Brats	Scott Glubke
Wings, Chili, Homebrew	Chris Brett
Children	
Weekly Playgroup	Anne Lynch
Spring Party	<i>Vacant</i>
Autumn Party	Trish Brett
Christmas	Kathy Vavrina
Membership Department	Kathy Pruissen
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INDEPENDENT ORGANIZATIONS

ULMSTEAD SWIM CLUB

<https://sites.google.com/a/ulmstead.org/ulmstead-pool/>

President	Mike Duvall
Vice President	Sharman Devaney
Secretary	Tracy Seybert
Membership	Lisa Gattie
Treasurer	Jenny Hardgrave
Maintenance	Mark Dupcak
Social	Corey Green & Trish Brett
Member at Large	Kerri Sodero
UCI Board Liaison	Jon Lane
Swim Team Liaison	Suzanne Vaaler

SWIM CLUB QUICK LINKS

pool@ulmstead.org

SWIM TEAM

www.UlmsteadSwimTeam.org

Directors	Lori Salamandra & Kerri Sodero
Merchandise	Denise Zucco
Concessions	Julie Brick & Courtney Dupcak
GASL League Rep	Jerilyn Deitch
Meet Manager (IT)	Liz Norton
Treasurer	Rob Wallace
Team Webmaster	Hannah Goldstein
Volunteers Coord	Alli Smith
Head Coach	Colleen Winans
Assistant Coaches	Haley Winans / Jared Reilly
Special Events	Michelle Mahan

BOY SCOUT TROOP 835

Scoutmaster Mike Allen

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Ulmstead Calendar – July 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 UCI Board Meeting 6:30 PM	2	3	4 Independence Day 
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15 Tax Day 2020	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30	31	

Reminders: UCI Board meetings are the first Wednesday of every month at 6:30PM. Email: board@ulmstead.org
 The deadline for the September Weathervane is August 22nd. Email: weathervane@ulmstead.org