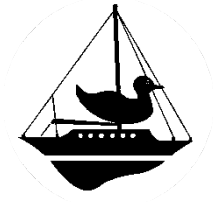


*THE ULMSTEAD*

# *Weathervane*



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## *From the President*

Greetings Neighbors,

It has been a very busy month in Ulmstead as we sail into the warmer weather. You can just sense that everyone is itching to get back to school, back outside, and back on the water. For those in the community who had the opportunity to stop in to slip selection to choose their slip or just say hello, it was a beautiful morning and the outdoor set up worked very well. It gave folks an opportunity to see some (masked) faces they may not have seen in quite some time and it felt nice catching up with neighbors. I hope this format continues in the future as I thought it was a success not just in its intended purpose, but as an opportunity to bring community members together again.

If you have been strolling the streets of the neighborhood or walking the docks, many of the departments have made some major headway into the start and/or completion of the projects that were outlined in the 2021 budget and I am excited to provide some updates below on a few of these projects. The Board would like to thank all the volunteers who have helped and continue to help push these projects forward to keep Ulmstead a great place to live.

**Beach Park** - The revitalization of the beach park continues to march forward. It is amazing to see the transformation that the park has undergone in the last couple of years. The new playground equipment was delivered in late March and the installation is underway. The project is scheduled to take two weeks to complete and a notice will be sent out to the community when the new equipment is ready for use. Equally as exciting, the new Adirondack chairs have been delivered and the volunteers that will be installing them are planning to start very soon. If you are not doing so already, make it a point to catch a sunset or two and enjoy the park when these two projects are complete.

**Dock 1** – The demolition of the floating dock has been completed. Nautical, with the help of some volunteers, will be building the new dock in the near future. Any community members with a knack for carpentry and a few free hours should reach out to the Nautical Department as they are looking for some additional help with this project.

**Community Entrances** – The community entrance landscaping is in desperate need of a little makeover. The beds/bushes/plants will be replanted, and the entrance signage will also be cleaned up. This work will commence in early April. Thank you to **Irene Godoy** for spearheading this effort.

As the community becomes a more active place in the coming months, please take note of the community guidelines as they apply to the amenity spaces that we all share. Please review the hours of operation and terms of use with your households so that everyone can enjoy these spaces while still respecting the adjacent residents. I look forward to seeing you around the neighborhood.

Jon Lane, UCI President  
President@ulmstead.org

## **UCI DEPARTMENTS AND ACTIVITIES**

### **NAUTICAL**

March brought a flurry of activity to Ulmstead's docks. Again, this year slip selection was held outdoors on the barn parking lot. Eighty-seven slips were selected this year with more boats waiting on the soon to be completed new floating dock. Thanks to all the volunteers who make slip selection such a flawless process. Permit applications are pending that will enable Dock 2 to accommodate eight smaller boats in several shallow water slips and along a new mooring wire. For information on selecting a slip or to be placed on the slip wait/change list contact Bill Zichos at dockmaster@ulmstead.org.

Thanks to everyone who turned out for the spring dock work party. The large turnout of enthusiastic boaters quickly accomplished the tasks needed to prepare the docks for the upcoming boating season. Over 150 kayaks, canoes, dinghies and paddleboards have been registered this year. Work is being completed on improving the existing racks and constructing new racks to accommodate the growing number of these vessels. Owners of these small boats will be notified when the work is complete and boats are permitted to be stored on the racks. But until then, please do not use these storage racks. All small boats stored on UCI property must be registered. Anyone wishing to register their small boat may contact **Barb Stone** at bs1213@yahoo.com. There is a \$50 fee that allows all trailers in a UCI member's household use of the boat ramp. Contact **Lynne Andrews** at andrews691@verizon.net to register.

During March, the old floating dock was demolished. **Chris Kane** is leading the effort to build a replacement during the weekend of April 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> and is seeking volunteers. Please contact Chris at kane1042@gmail.com if you can lend a hand.

Each spring new fire extinguishers and ring buoys are installed to replace expired, spent, deteriorated or missing units. This year, the life rings are being installed in orange and white storage cabinets on the piers. These cabinets will protect the ring buoys from the elements but, more importantly, will make the ring locations more visible in an emergency. The fire extinguishers and life rings are important safety devices that could save a life. Do not tamper or remove them except in an emergency.

Work has begun on improving the landscaping of the UCI property surrounding Ulmstead's marinas. Permit applications have been filed to clear vines and brush and remove dead and dangerous trees. The county will then require replanting of trees and shrubs, native to Anne Arundel county in these areas. The appearance of our wonderful marine facilities will be significantly enhanced by the nautical department's investment in landscaping.

All of the projects started or planned this year by UCI Nautical will improve the use, safety, and appearance of UCI's marina properties. Many are being accomplished by volunteer members of the nautical department. All are being financed solely by the slip fees, ramp fees and small boat registration fees paid by Ulmstead boaters.

Bill Zichos, UCI Nautical  
Dockmaster@ulmstead.org

## **BARN UPDATE**

The committee has put together its initial survey for the community and you should have received an email from Constant Contact containing the link. If you did not receive that email, please email Barn@ulmstead.org and we will send you the link directly. We will keep that link up and open until April 15<sup>th</sup> so please take some time to fill it out and share your thoughts with us. This survey is merely a starting point and is designed to capture a broad and "big picture" idea of how UCI utilizes the barn property. More specific and detailed features and ideas will be looked at as we progress and collect information from membership and will be part of future surveys.

As mentioned in my last note, we will be hosting our first community meeting for the homeowners with adjacent properties to the barn property and for those members who have lived in the neighborhood for 20 years or longer. That meeting will take place in the barn parking lot on April 10<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 AM (weather permitting) so please bring a chair and be prepared to follow current COVID protocols.

We will set dates for more community meetings soon after the first. To help keep the groups manageable and to ensure for a productive discussion, we will next host a meeting for members who have lived in the community for 10-20 years and then follow that with a meeting for those members who have lived here for 10 years or less. Please stay tuned for those dates via email.

As always, feel free to reach out to me at any point.

Thanks,  
Bryan Murray  
bryanmurray21@gmail.com

## **SOCIAL**

### **Join Scouts:**

Would you like to go camping, learn new skills, make new friends, and have fun? Our Troop is meeting OUTDOORS at Anne Arundel Fish and Game Club Sunday afternoons at 3:00. The Scouts have the opportunity to participate in shooting sports at our meetings. We have weekend camping trips every month, plus a one-week Summer Camp. Come check us out! You can join even if you never were a Cub Scout. Also, we are still collecting worn out flags for a patriotic flag retirement ceremony. Contact **Mike Allen** for information at 410-919-8487.

## **MEMBERSHIP**

## **TENNIS AND PICKLEBALL**

The weather is getting nicer which means pickleball and tennis are heating up on our courts! We're off to a great start, and I'd like to share some upgrades that members will be excited to hear about.

First, the new wooden, pre-built shed was delivered Wednesday. This new shed is not locked.

Second, due to the high demand for court time, we are testing out a new court reservation system for courts. It's called Court Reserve. It is internet based and can be accessed by an app on your phone, iPad or mobile device. We are in the early stages of testing this system, so you can expect more information to follow.

Third, we are installing new court locks which necessitate all existing keyholders to exchange their old keys for new ones to fit the new locks. To accomplish this, we will hold key exchanges in April. There will be two weekends to accommodate members' busy schedules.

- Key Exchange #1: third weekend of April 4/17 (9-11am) & 4/18 (12-1pm)
- Key Exchange #2: fourth weekend of April 4/24 (11-12:30pm) & 4/25 (9:30-11am)

Finally, here are the details regarding the membership process this year (and the basics for brand new members).

- Pay dues by 5/1. After 5/1, there is a \$25 late fee. Please make checks payable to UCI.
- Dues are \$150/per year, per family.
- Members will only get a new key if they pay their dues.
- Existing members, please bring your old key to the key exchange with your 2021 dues payment and in exchange you will receive your new court key.
- Future replacement keys will cost \$100.

Please feel free to reach out to me with any questions or concerns and remember to stay tuned to the UCI email blasts for more info/reminders on the key exchanges. I hope to see you all on the court!

Stephanie Pagoota  
Tennis@ulmstead.org

### **Calling all junior tennis players!**

The Ulmstead Tennis Club will again be offering lessons for children ages 7 years old and older. At this time, we are looking to hold lessons on Monday and Wednesday's from 10AM-12PM beginning June 21st through the end of July.

We are also currently looking into forming a competitive junior tennis team for ages 10 - 18 years old. These players would practice on Monday and Wednesday's and then compete in matches on Tuesdays and Thursday's from 9AM-12pm. We are still in the planning phase, but if your child is interested, please contact Kelly Gargagliano [kellygargagliano@gmail.com](mailto:kellygargagliano@gmail.com)

Costs for lessons and the junior team will be forthcoming. Stay tuned for more information.

### **Pickleball Update**

Currently, the sport of pickleball is exploding in popularity all over the country and certainly it is in Ulmstead! During this past year of the Covid pandemic, Ulmstead pickleball players have played, on average, 5-7 days a week. We have been seen shoveling ice and snow off the courts so we could play. Players are quick to get to the courts to dry them off after a rain with rollers, towels, and blowers. This is a game that was born in 1965 and can now be found in all US States. It is fun, social, and competitive. We happily welcome anyone that wants to learn the game. If you're interested, please send an email to Cherie at [Onailojg@gmail.com](mailto:Onailojg@gmail.com).

Jennie Jacobs  
Cherie Gargagliano

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## UCI Community Spring Blood Drive

Let's do it again Ulmstead Community!! Saturday, April 17<sup>th</sup> from 9:00-2:00, working with AAMC, we will hold our next UCI Community Blood Drive, conveniently located at our own Ulmstead Barn.

Why is this so important to your community? AAMC continues to expand in-patient procedures, so the need for blood is increasing. Beyond that, all blood donated to AAMC stays right here in the community.

UCI members have donated over 140 pints last year at our previous 3 drives. Just think of the impact we've all had on our Anne Arundel neighbors. Once again here is something you can do right here, right now in Ulmstead. **Give the gift of life.**

All COVID-19 policies and practices will be adhered to during the blood drive. So, if you are feeling fine and can donate, **please sign up through the Sign-up Genius Link** sent out through the UCI email blasts.

Any questions, please contact: [mike.slavin@verizon.net](mailto:mike.slavin@verizon.net) and texts: 410-258-9826

The details: AAMC Blood Donor Center - Bloodmobile

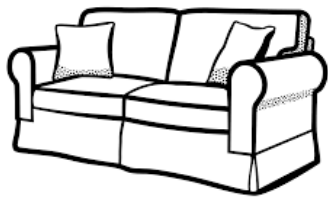
- WHERE: UCI Barn, Parking Lot  
DATE: Saturday, April 17<sup>th</sup>  
TIME: 9 AM to 2 PM  
VEHICLE: AAMC Mobile Blood Mobile  
SIGNUP: <http://bit.ly/UlmsteadSpringBloodDrive> (or select the link in the email notice)  
HOW: Select time slot, click button "Submit & Sign Up", fill in form, Submit button.  
INFO: AAMC encourages you to start eating iron-rich foods 1 week prior to donation.  
To donate, you must be:
- Between 17 & 74 years old (16 with parental consent).
  - In good health.
  - At least 110 lbs.
  - You can give blood while taking most medications.
  - >58 days since you last gave blood (way over # days since November)

Everyone who had donated at our November Blood Drive can donate now...  
Please maintain Covid-19 practices including social distancing and face masks.  
The barn restrooms & lobby area will be open for donors/AAMC staff.  
~40 appointment slots per Signup Genius, appointments every 15 minutes.

# Dumpster Update

We have had many inquiries on the status of the annual dumpsters normally provided by the county for bulk item cleanup. After repeated conversations with the county, we have learned that the program has been significantly scaled back in recent years because of new policies regarding bulk-item curbside pickup, and further impacted by COVID restrictions in 2020 and 2021. Unfortunately, due to these impacts the county will not be able to provide dumpsters to our community this year. We will continue to work with the county to try to get back into the program next year.

As an alternative, we are providing some information below regarding your options for bulk trash pickup that may be new information for you. The county believes this is a better system as residents can dispose of large items throughout the year, rather than having to wait for annual dumpsters. You can find more information online by searching for Anne Arundel County Bulk Item Pickup.

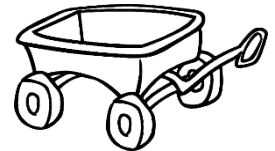


## **Large Trash Items**

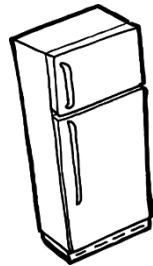
Sofas, mattresses, tables, dishwashers (plastic), and rolls of carpet are typical trash examples that do not fit into containers. The items should be placed next to your trash container(s) on your collection day. **Please set out only three items at a time on your weekly collection day.** Do not place wood and lumber or building and construction materials for collection as bulky trash.

## **Large Plastic Items**

Large plastic items such as children's toys and playsets can be recycled at the curb. The items should be placed next to your recycling container(s) with other paper, plastic, metal and glass recyclables on your collection day. You can place as much recycling out as necessary.



## **Large Metal Items and Refrigerated Appliances**



Large metal items and appliances, like swing sets, refrigerators, dishwashers (metal), and lawn mowers, can be recycled. Call Customer Service at [\(410\) 222-6100](tel:410-222-6100) to schedule a collection or schedule online. **Please do not place metal items at the curb on your weekly curbside collection day.** Metal items that will fit in your vehicle should be brought to one of our recycling centers for recycling.

## **The following materials are not collected at your home because of special handling requirements:**

Ammunition or firearms; Drums, fuel, or oil tanks; Asbestos items; Explosives or fireworks; Automotive parts or tires; Fluorescent tubes or bulbs; Batteries (rechargeable, auto, button); Paint and liquids; Building or construction materials; Poisons, acids, or caustics; Coals or ashes; Sawdust or dirt; Compressed gas tanks; Toilets; Dead animals or animal carcasses; Wood or lumber.

**For disposal information regarding these items, visit AACo Waste Management online or call Customer Service at (410) 222-6100 for disposal instructions.**

# UCI OFFICERS AND VOLUNTEERS

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Colin “Dino” Lynch – Pool/Scenic  
Bryan Murray – Barn  
Colin Robertson  
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Renee Kelly

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Treasurer  
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Reservations	Ginny Vernick
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Dock Party	Jessica Lane
Scenic Department	<b>Vacant</b>
Ball Field	Bob Svehlak
Beautification	Michelle Mahan
Security Department	Bob Ammon
Tennis Department	Stephanie Pagoota
Maintenance	Mark Overton
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Fishing Tournament	Richard Harrison
Ladies Wine & Cheese	Gillian Duvall
Fall Camp-out	Rob Hooper
Guy's Beer & Brats	Scott Glubke
Wings, Chili, Homebrew	Chris Brett
Children	
Weekly Playgroup	Anne Lynch
Spring Party	<b>Vacant</b>
Autumn Party	Trish Brett
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### ULMSTEAD SWIM CLUB

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

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Swim Team Liaison	Suzanne Vaaler

### SWIM CLUB QUICK LINKS

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### SWIM TEAM

[www.UlmsteadSwimTeam.org](http://www.UlmsteadSwimTeam.org)

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## Ulmstead Calendar – April 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2	3
4  Scouts 3:00	5	6	7  UCI BOARD MEETING 6:30 PM	8	9	10
11  Scouts 3:00	12	13	14  Last day to fill out Barn Survey	15	16	17
18  Scouts 3:00	19	20	21	22	23	24
25  Scouts 3:00	26	27	28	29	30    Tennis Dues!	

Reminders: UCI Board meetings are the first Wednesday of every month at 6:30PM. Email: [Board@ulmstead.org](mailto:Board@ulmstead.org)  
 The deadline for the **May** Weathervane is **April 25<sup>th</sup>**. Email: [weathervane@ulmstead.org](mailto:weathervane@ulmstead.org)