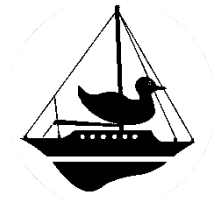


THE ULMSTEAD

# Weathervane



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April 2023

## *From the President*

Spring fever is running rampant on the Broadneck, and we are looking forward to getting outside and enjoying some perfect Maryland days. The United Nations has designated April of 2023 “International Meet a New Neighbor Month,” no foolin! So, if you see an unfamiliar face while you are jogging down Lynch, crabbing at the spit, or tuning up your boat at the docks, reach out and say hi.

Apart from the neighbors, the best part of Ulmstead is our unrivaled outdoor resources. Ginny, Stew, and Joe have been working hard to make sure that the Beach Park is in tiptop shape for the season. Now is a great time to review the guidelines for using this idyllically situated community resource. First, the hours of the park are from 7am-Sunset. Second, all trash should be put into the dumpster before you leave for the day. Lastly, between the installation of the rain gardens, new playground equipment, and Adirondack chairs, there have been some serious upgrades to this community asset over the past few years. Please treat the Beach Park with respect and leave it a little bit better than you found it. I promise... it's not too taxing.

Also, the Beach Park is a popular destination on Prom Day. The Board will be looking for practical solutions to parking issues that abound on White Swan during prom picture time. As we have in years past, we will limit parking on White Swan and look for a way to limit access to the Beach Park to Ulmsteaders and their guests.

In other news, the Court Club is finally scheduled for its long overdue refurbishment. While the courts will be shut down for approximately three weeks while this work is being done, racquet-heads need not despair as public courts abound on the Broadneck. Speaking of refurbishments, some plantings will be made down at Dock 1, and spring clean-ups have been done at the entrances, barn, and fields.

We have some great events over the coming months. Now is an ideal time to make sure your pool membership is squared away and that you are signed up for the swim team. The “Spring into Summer” party is right around the corner, too. Keep reading for more details!

Finally, if you have a great idea to make Ulmstead a better place, don't miss this hopportunity! 🐼 We need your ideas, and we need you! Our cadre of dedicated volunteers make Ulmstead a great place to live, and there is always room for more. We are working to develop several committees, including a Capital Reserve Committee and an Architectural Review Committee. There are also a handful of

vacant department manager positions that need to be filled. Please send an email to me or the Board if you are interested in volunteering.

See you in the neighborhood! And remember ... IT'S A GREAT DAY TO BE AN ULMSTEADER!!

Sincerely,  
Dino Lynch, President—Ulmstead Club, Inc.  
President@ulmstead.org

## **UCI DEPARTMENTS AND ACTIVITIES**

### **NAUTICAL**

Slip Selection was held on Saturday March 11 on the barn parking lot. Thanks to all the volunteers that help to make this event a success. This annual event is held on the second Saturday of March, so mark March 9, 2024 on your calendar.

As of this writing, there are only 3 available boat slips. There are also several spots on the mooring wire and floating dock for small boats and dinghies still available. Contact Bill Zichos at Dockmaster@ulmstead.org for further information.

Nautical maintains racks at Docks 1, 2 and 3 for storing kayaks, SUPs, and other small boats. These racks have space for approximately 180 small boats, which are available on a first come basis. All small watercraft using these facilities must display a current Nautical sticker. These stickers are available for \$5 each and may be obtained by contacting Barb Stone at bstone1213@yahoo.com.

The boat launching ramp at Dock 1 is available to all UCI members for a fee of \$50 per household. All trailers using the ramp must display a current Nautical sticker. These stickers are available from Lynne Andrews at andrews691@verizon.net.

Bill Zichos, UCI Nautical  
Dockmaster@ulmstead.org



# BARN

As a follow up from my note in the December *Weathervane* and the last Annual Meeting, I wanted to update everyone on where we are with the barn's next steps.

We solicited bids from architectural firms for "Design Services" and received two competitive quotes. The first was from ABS, who we contracted for the feasibility study. The second quote was from MKDA, which is a national firm with a local office in DC. After reviewing the proposals, we have selected MKDA for the work as their quote was more comprehensive and cost effective than ABS. An added bonus is that the team will also be led by Matt Stone, a former Ulmsteader whose parents, **Kevin and Barbra Stone**, still live across the street from the barn property.

A design services contract not only includes architectural drawings but other trades that are critical to a project, especially the barn, due to its age and that is situated in a LDA ("limited development area"). The trades below will be essential in taking the concept that the community developed and informing the actual design of the barn and surroundings:

- Structural Engineering
- Mechanical, Electrical, and Plumbing (MEP)
- Civil Engineering
- Landscape Design
- Architectural

If you have seen some of the landscaping renderings, exterior renderings, or potential floor plans, you have likely heard me say, "This is what we are aiming for, but it is not a guarantee because we need to have the trades evaluate the overall state of the barn and any code implications to inform the final design." I wanted to reiterate that, so everyone is clear on the process.

The Board/Barn Committee will be working with and meeting with MKDA throughout the design phase process, which will occur over the next 10 to 12 weeks. The trades will be reporting back with their findings, recommendations, and additional steps we may be required to take. One example of this has to do with barn zoning. This is something that will be investigated by the civil engineering firm and will likely require a variance hearing due to the fact the property may never have been zoned due to its age. This hearing will give neighbors within 300' of the barn property the opportunity to give their feedback to the county about that proposed residential use of the barn property (**NOTE**: the Community is not contemplating changing the zoning at all to commercial use). If this meeting is required, then letters will go out to those homes, and we will communicate that information as well.

Once MKDA has all the necessary information, they will present us with a 90% complete design package at which point we will present the plans to the community for feedback. We will take that feedback and make all necessary changes, after which MKDA will take the design documents and turn them into a construction document package and send those documents out to bid. This process will take 4-5 weeks.

Once we have the bids back and have reviewed all of them, we will present to UCI a proposed budget and plan on how to pay for the barn renovation. This will be a stand-alone budget meeting for UCI to vote on the barn renovation project. I anticipate this happening in early September, but these types of things can be a moving target, and we will continue to communicate changes as they occur.

As always please feel free to call, email, or stop me on the mean streets of Ulmstead should you have questions!

Thanks,  
Bryan Murray

## TENNIS

### UCI COURT CLUB

We are thrilled to announce that the long-anticipated court repair work has begun! The court will be closed during renovations and will likely last 3-4 weeks in total. Please share this information with your family members and children. While this is an estimate and we will obviously push them as much as possible, factors like rain and temperature can affect timing. Keep in mind there are plenty of other options for local (and free) tennis and pickleball play. In our near radius, Broadneck HS and Mago Vista Park have several courts and Cypress Creek offers tennis and pickleball with lights for evening play. And, both Severna Park and Crofton HS both have beautiful, brand-new, and lit tennis courts. And of course, the YMCA has plenty of courts for Pickleball play all day and evening!

Thank you so much for your continued support of this project. We will keep you updated as the work progresses.

### MEMBERSHIP & PRICING:

If you are interested in membership – new and renewing, the 2023 court dues are \$220. This gets you and your household full access to the courts, and usage of Court Reserve, our online court reservation system. We strongly encourage you to reserve court time as those who do will receive priority. If you are a renewing member and need a new key, the cost of a replacement key is \$100. Dues are due by May 1<sup>st</sup>, there is a \$25 late fee for dues paid after May 1<sup>st</sup>. Checks can be made payable to UCI and placed in the mailbox at 658 White Swan Drive.

### IMPORTANT REMINDERS:

- The courts are **only** for tennis and pickleball members who have keys.
- Please **do not** bring your pets, scooters, bikes, roller skates/blades, skateboards, soccer balls, etc. onto the courts.
- Please **only** enter the courts through the main gate using your key.
- From a safety standpoint, **do not** climb the fence to enter the courts. **Parents (members and non-members), please pass this information along to your children.**
- Please ensure the lights are switched to the OFF position when you leave the courts.



## SOCIAL



**May 26, 2023**

(No rain date)

Spring into Summer Party

For Adult UCI members

Location: Ulmstead Pool

Hooper's Catering

Music by Joe Singer

Drinks

Time: TBD

RSVP: [membership@ulmstead.org](mailto:membership@ulmstead.org)



## SWIM CLUB

### ULMSTEAD SWIM TEAM NEWS

We are so excited to kick off planning for another fun and successful season of the Ulmstead Ducks Swim Team! We are thrilled to announce that we will have two Co-Head Coaches for the first time this year – Trevor Brinton and Colleen Winans. Ulmstead is fortunate to have both the Severna Park and Broadneck High School swim coaches!

We are very grateful to our returning gold sponsor – The Orthopedic Specialty Hospital at Mercy and JP Rue AND our new gold sponsor – the Donut Shack! **We really need more sponsors to make this season great for our kids.** Do you have a business you want to promote? Do you have a good connection with a local business that may want to be a sponsor? See more information below!

*Swim Team Registration opens on April 1*



## **THINGS TO THINK ABOUT BEFORE YOU REGISTER:**

- **Meets.** There will be 5 swim meets on Saturday mornings:
  - June 17: @ South River Colony vs. South River & Truxton Park (3 teams)
  - June 24: Home vs. South River Colony
  - July 1: Home vs. Indian Landing & Truxton Park (3 teams)
  - July 8: @ Severn River Swim Club
  - July 15: @ Indian Landing Boat Club
- Kids must swim in 2 of the 5 meets to qualify for a medal meet. All kids who swim in at least 2 meets will at least qualify for the bronze meet. Medal Meets will be: Bronze (July 19); Silver (July 22); and Gold (July 23).
- The end of season party will be on Sunday, July 23.
- **Practices.** See the practice schedule at the end. Practices are after school from Tuesday, May 30<sup>th</sup> through Thursday, June 15<sup>th</sup>. Morning practices go from June 19<sup>th</sup> through mid-July.
- **Swimming Requirements.** Swimmers must be able to swim the length of the pool; this is a friendly-competitive team NOT swim lessons (although your child's swimming stroke improvement is one of the goals of our coaches). If they cannot swim the length or your swimmer needs more help – YOU HAVE TIME – get them involved in lessons **NOW** (check out the YMCA and the Severna Park Community Center).
- **Calling all High Schoolers!** Do you have a high schooler who would be interested in swimming? We need more high schoolers to be able to compete against other teams (we can't get points for races if we don't have swimmers). For the first time this year, high schoolers age 15 - 18 who are not members of the Ulmstead Swim Club can join swim team at NO extra cost (they still have to pay the swim team registration fee). They can only use the pool for swim team purposes.
- **Parent Volunteers Make the Season Successful!** It takes an Ulmstead village to make swim team fun and successful for our kids! Our network of parents keeps the team organized and allow our meets to run smoothly. Each family is expected to fulfill their required volunteer assignments. You select your volunteer positions when you register for swim team for the meets you plan to attend – it is first come, first pick. See the job descriptions on the website under PARENTS – VOLUNTEER DESCRIPTIONS. The number of volunteer assignment requirements will depend on how many families register but will likely be for 2 full meets or an equivalent time frame depending on your assignment.
- **Swimsuits.** Kids may wear Ulmstead swim team swimsuits from previous years or purchase a new one. Swimsuit try-on is **Friday, May 19 5:00 – 7:00 pm at the pool.**
- **New to swim team? Join us April 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm at 665 Quail Run Court.** We know it can seem a little overwhelming at first, but we've all been there and can tell you about what to expect. We will be holding a meeting to answer any questions you may have, or feel free to email Karin Mottus at [director@ulmsteadswimteam.org](mailto:director@ulmsteadswimteam.org).

## **REGISTRATION DETAILS:**

- Registration opens **April 1, 2023** on website [www.ulmsteadswimteam.org](http://www.ulmsteadswimteam.org) - Register, pay, and sign up for volunteer positions here
- Register by **April 20, 2023** to get a personalized swim cap
- After **May 15, 2023**, a late fee of \$50 will be charged per family
- Register by May 25, 2023 to get a t-shirt
- You must be an Ulmstead Swim Club/Pool member to register (unless you are ages 15-18) – Pool membership registration began in March.
- The registration fee will be \$150 per swimmer. If you have more than one swimmer, the registration will be \$140 per swimmer. Registration fees cover swimmers AAU insurance fees, facility maintenance, various other swim team-related expenses, and Medal Meet league fees.

Please contact Karin Mottus with any questions at [director@ulmsteadswimteam.org](mailto:director@ulmsteadswimteam.org).

## **PRACTICE SCHEDULE:**

The weekday practice schedule while school is in session starts Tuesday, May 30<sup>th</sup> after school:

<b>Time</b>	<b>Age Group</b>
4:00-4:30 p.m.	6 and under
4:30-5:00 p.m.	7-8
5:00-5:45 p.m.	9-10 and 11-12
5:45-6:30 p.m.	13 and older

Regular season practice will start on Monday, June 19<sup>th</sup>:

<b>Time</b>	<b>Age Group</b>	<b>Walk-in Working Teen Dedicated Lane &amp; Workout</b>
7:15-8:00 a.m.	9-10	15 and older
8:00-8:45 a.m.	7-8	15 and older
8:45-9:15 a.m.	6 and under	15 and older
9:15-10:00 a.m.	11-12	15 and older
10:00-10:45 a.m.	13 and older	15 and older
10:00-10:45 a.m.	9-10 (if can't make 7:15 a.m.)	

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **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.

## With Deepest Sympathy



### Thomas E. Powers

Tom Powers died peacefully on February 1, 2023. He was 91 years old.

Tom was born on October 27, 1931 in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. Raised in Chicago, Tom earned degrees from Loyola University Chicago (BA), DePaul University (MA), and University of Chicago (PhD). Tom attended Navy Officer Candidate School, Newport, RI and was commissioned as Ensign, USNR in 1953. He retired as Captain (USNR) in 1991 after serving eight years of active duty and twenty-two years in Navy Reserve. Tom had a long career in education as well as directing civilian and military education and training programs in the U.S. and overseas. He taught at U.S. Naval Academy, the University of Maryland, Balt. County and eventually relocated with his family to Heidelberg, Germany. He closed his career in education as Associate Dean of Faculty and Academic programs at the Eisenhower College, National Defense University, Washington D.C.

After retiring, Tom volunteered extensively with many community organizations such as Habitat for Humanity, St. Vincent de Paul at St. Andrews by the Bay Catholic Church, Arundel House of Hope.

Tom was a competitive athlete, participating as a varsity swimmer in high school and college. At 66, he returned to swimming and participated in the Masters, YMCA, and Senior Olympics until the age of 85. He also enjoyed competitive skiing.

Tom married his wife, Kathleen Mary, in June 1953. Together they raised seven children. Kathleen Mary passed in 2019. The Powers moved to Ulmstead in 1980. Tom enjoyed attending Ulmstead swim meets to see his grandchildren compete.

Tom will join his wife, Kathleen, in burial at Arlington National Cemetery.



# UCI OFFICERS AND VOLUNTEERS

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Please email any changes / updates to [Weathervane@Ulmstead.org](mailto:Weathervane@Ulmstead.org) and [Membership@Ulmstead.org](mailto:Membership@Ulmstead.org). Thanks!

UCI Board of Directors and liaison roles	Colin "Dino" Lynch – President/ Pool/Scenic Alli Smith – Vice President/Social Marina Anglim – Membership/Tennis Ginny Vernick – Beach Bryan Murray – Barn
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## DEPARTMENTS & ACTIVITIES

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Reservations	Ginny Vernick
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Adult/Family Events	
Spring into Summer	Membership Dept
July 4 <sup>th</sup> Parade & Picnic	Mike Duvall
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
Christmas	Kathy Vavrina

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### 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	Colin "Dino" Lynch
Swim Team Liaison	Suzanne Vaaler

## SWIM TEAM

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

Directors	Karin Mottus
Assistant Directors	Tanya Schwartz Ime Lewis
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Concessions	Trish Brett
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Meet Manager (IT)	Liz Norton
Finance	Laura Martino
Team Webmaster	Hannah Goldstein
Volunteers Coord	Shubhangi Thompson Cory Cosgrove
Head Coaches	Colleen Winans Trevor Brinton
Special Events	Lindsey O'dea Jaime Johns

## BOY SCOUT TROOP 835




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## Ulmstead Calendar – April 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 <i>Palm Sunday</i>	3	4	5 Board Meeting 6:30 PM <i>Passover</i>	6	7 <i>Good Friday</i>	8
9 <i>Easter</i>	10	11	12	13	14	15
16 <i>Orthodox Easter</i>	17	18 	19	20	21 <i>Eid al-Fitr</i>	22 
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
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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 24<sup>th</sup>**. Email: [weathervane@ulmstead.org](mailto:weathervane@ulmstead.org)