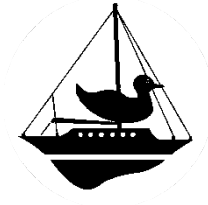


*THE ULMSTEAD*

# *Weathervane*



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## ***From the President***

A belated Happy New Year! How has your 2024 been going? We have had a tough start at the Dino household. Between head-colds, stomach bugs, snow days, and the county canceling school because it was RAINING (?!?!), I do not think all three of the Tinos have been in school on the same day yet this year. This has transformed the typically calm and tranquil Santa Dino Vista into the equivalent of a WWF match. Those bumps and bruises will forge strong character and deep sibling bonds, right? Having said all that, these snow days have been a ton of fun, and it's always great to see everyone down at the Pit, building snowmen, and engaging in the occasional impromptu snowball fight. I am looking forward to doing it all again when it snows again... in three years.

Before going any further, I want to send a big thank you to the Wimmers. They have generously donated their antique pool table for use in the soon to be redeveloped Barn. Speaking of which, Bryan Murray and his committee have been working hard on developing some plans and proposals for that reconstruction. The next community meeting regarding the Barn is Feb. 10. See below for full details.

The UCI General Membership meeting will be held on Saturday, February 24, time and location to be determined, so keep an eye on your email for details. Items on the agenda include a new policy for the admission of new members to UCI, resolution of the Thompson membership question, and boat storage at UCI facilities. Additionally, we will be getting updates from the various department heads, updates on specific capital projects, and other important issues for UCI. Please see inside for additional details. We will also be electing two new Board members. If you have an interest in serving on the UCI Board, please email [board@ulmstead.org](mailto:board@ulmstead.org). As always, we encourage in person attendance. If that is not possible, please send a proxy with a trusted neighbor or Board Member.

As for upcoming events, the Ladies Wine and Cheese is on the horizon! I have never gotten a clear answer on what EXACTLY happens there, but I know that it is a can't miss event. Additionally, we are hoping to rekindle the great Ulmstead Camp Out, hopefully in April. Please reach out if you have any interest in working on that. I will see you at the Beach Park! Until then please remember: IT'S A GREAT DAY TO BE AN ULMSTEADER!

Dino Lynch  
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# UCI DEPARTMENTS AND ACTIVITIES

## THE BARN

The Barn Meeting has been rescheduled for February 10<sup>th</sup> from 10-11:30 a.m. at St. Margaret's Church. We will be reviewing our options, so we can move forward with the project. Please plan to attend!

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## NAUTICAL

Slip Selection is scheduled for Saturday March 9, 2024 at 9:30 a.m. at the Barn parking lot. Nautical and UCI Membership will verify eligibility to select a boat slip beginning at 9 a.m.

The 2024 Slip Selection Package is now available in the Nautical section of the members only page on the Ulmstead Estates website. This Slip Selection Package contains Nautical Department Rules, Slip Selection and Proxy forms, fees, diagrams of the docks, and the Nautical Priority List. Please review this document carefully. Any questions regarding Nautical Priority or eligibility to select a slip should be addressed to Bill Zichos at [dockmaster@ulmstead.org](mailto:dockmaster@ulmstead.org) prior to March 1, 2024.

Small boat (kayaks, canoes, paddleboard, etc.) and boat ramp stickers will also be available at this time.

**Winter Boat Storage — Let's get those boats stored properly! Please remove them from the driveways and streets! Show that UCI love for our bylaws!**



# **SOCIAL**

**Ladies Wine & Cheese**  
New Date: March 14, 2024  
7:30 - 9:30 p.m.  
Light fare & wine



Please RSVP by March 11: [membership@ulmstead.org](mailto:membership@ulmstead.org)

Location: Scully home

(Please, no heels--original flooring. Your feet and host thank you!)

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# **MEMBERSHIP**

Please see print version



## **A message from the Thompson Family**

Dear Ulmstead Families,

I trust this message finds you well. My name is Adrienne Thompson, and I reside in Ulmstead with my family, including my husband Ashley, our children, and my parents. We moved into our newly constructed home in May 2017, situated on a lot subdivided in 2000, and have recently applied to become members of UCI.

Joining UCI is not just about accessing community amenities; it's about creating lasting memories and continuing the rich traditions that make Ulmstead special. With my husband's cherished childhood memories of growing up here, we aspire to provide our children with the same magical experience.

As the leader of my daughter's Girl Scout troop and with my son actively involved in Scouts, our family is dedicated to fostering a sense of community and service. We envision contributing to Ulmstead through initiatives such as local food drives and participation in neighborhood cleanups. During the upcoming general meeting at the end of February, you will have the opportunity to support our family's inclusion in this thriving community. I kindly request your support through either in-person voting or by proxy, enabling us to contribute to and benefit from the vibrant spirit of Ulmstead.

We have heard there is also concern that my husband is running a business out of our home. I can assure you he is not, never will, and will always adhere to community bylaws. If you have questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me directly at [adriannenash@yahoo.com](mailto:adriannenash@yahoo.com).

Thank you for your thoughtful consideration. We eagerly anticipate the opportunity to create memories within this community, just as many others have sought to do by choosing Ulmstead as their home.

Warm regards,  
Adrienne Thompson and Family

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## **Financial**

### **Capital Reserve Study**

An update to UCI's capital reserve study was conducted in 2023. It was based on prior studies conducted by capital reserve consultants MillerDodson in 2012 and 2016. The reports from these studies, along with an additional one from a study done in 2018 by another firm, are available for review under "Financial" in the members section of [www.Ulmstead.org](http://www.Ulmstead.org).

Note the Barn was intentionally left out of this update due to the separate renovation project. The study will be updated again when that project is complete. While the study methodology is not perfectly-suited to UCI's facilities, we worked with MillerDodson to amend the approach to better meet UCI's needs.



### **New UCI Treasurer For 2024 and Beyond!**

If you have accounting or finance experience, UCI wants you! We are in search of a new Treasurer to take over as of March 2024. The role is currently being covered by former UCI Treasurer Lois Findlay on an interim basis. She has offered to serve as Assistant Treasurer to support and serve as backup for the new volunteer.

The new Treasurer will receive training, a smooth transition period, and a Board-approved set of financial management policies and procedures. While UCI has a paid bookkeeper/CPA for dues billing, payables, accounting, and taxes, the volunteer Treasurer serves a very important function as a conduit between the bookkeeper, the Board, and membership! Contact Dino Lynch [president@ulmstead.org](mailto:president@ulmstead.org) or Lois Findlay [treasurer@ulmstead.org](mailto:treasurer@ulmstead.org) for more information.

Please see the “UCI Officers and Volunteers” page below to learn about additional openings and ways that you can become more active in our neighborhood!

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### **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

## UCI OFFICERS AND VOLUNTEERS

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

*Please email any changes or 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, Security  
 Alli Smith -- Vice President, Barn/Social  
 Marina Anglim -- Tennis  
 Ginny Vernick -- Beach  
 Evan Patrick -- Membership/Pool  
 Julie Scully -- Scenic/Nautical  
 Amanda McFall -- Secretary  
 Lois Findlay -- Treasurer  
**Vacant** -- Assistant Treasurer

### DEPARTMENTS & ACTIVITIES

Barn Department	Chris Baron
Maintenance	<b>Vacant</b>
Reservations	Kathie Cosgrove
	Elizabeth Manicchia
Beach & Shore Department	
Reservations	Ginny Vernick
Nautical Department	Bill Zichos
Dock Party	Jessica Lane
Scenic Department	Julie Scully
Ball Field	<b>Vacant</b>
Beach. & Shore	Joe Gallagher
	Stu McFall
Beautification	<b>Vacant</b>
Security Department	<b>Vacant</b>
Tennis Department	Stephanie Pagoota
Maintenance	Mark Overton
Social Activities Department	Alli Smith
Senior Activities	B. Meyers, P. Konrad
Adult/Family Events	
Spring into Summer	Membership Dept.
July 4 <sup>th</sup> Parade & Picnic	<b>Vacant</b>
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	<b>Vacant</b>
Membership Department	Kathy Pruissen
Bumper Stickers	Lynne Andrews
Welcoming	Ashlee Mitchell & Ann Albrecht & Tracy Seybert
	EG Gipple
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### INDEPENDENT ORGANIZATIONS

#### Ulmstead Swim Club <https://ulmsteadswimclub.com>

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	Evan Patrick
Swim Team Liaison	Lori Salamandra

#### Swim Club Quick Links [pool@ulmstead.org](mailto:pool@ulmstead.org)

#### Swim Team

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

Director	Karin Mottus
Assistant Directors	
Communications	Tanya Schwartz
Year End Event	Ime Lewis
Merchandise	Lindsay Blades
Concessions	Trish Brett
GASL League Rep	Jen Womble
Meet Manager (IT)	Liz Norton
Finance	Christie Mayr
Team Webmaster	Hannah Goldstein
Volunteer Coordinators	Shubhangi Thompson & Cory Cosgrove
Head Coach	Colleen Winans
Assistant Coaches	Trevor Brinton
Special Events	Jaime Johns & Lindsey O'Dea

#### Boy Scout Troop 835

Scoutmaster	Mike Allen
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### EMAILS AND QUICK LINKS

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<a href="mailto:Secretary@ulmstead.org">Secretary@ulmstead.org</a>	<a href="mailto:DockMaster@ulmstead.org">DockMaster@ulmstead.org</a>	<a href="mailto:Social@ulmstead.org">Social@ulmstead.org</a>	<a href="mailto:Tennis@ulmstead.org">Tennis@ulmstead.org</a>

Ulmstead Calendar – February 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1  1 FEBRUARY National Freedom Day	2 Groundhog Day	3
4  NATIONAL THANK A MAIL CARRIER DAY February 4th	5	6	7	8	9  National Pizza Day!	10
11	12	13	14 ♥HAPPY Valentine's DAY♥	15	16	17
18	19  PRESIDENTS DAY	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29  Hoppy Leap Day! February 29		

Reminders: The deadline for the March Weathervane is February 25. Email: [weathervane@ulmstead.org](mailto:weathervane@ulmstead.org)