The Ulmstead Weathervane

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From the President

As you read this, I hope you are enjoying the last few days of summer in Ulmstead! The days are growing shorter, and we even felt the crisp air of autumn last week. Schools are now open, so please be mindful as students head back after a long summer break. Slow down and please drive safely!

After a brief hiatus in August, the UCI Board returns to its monthly meeting on Wednesday, September 4 at 6:30 p.m. (location TBD). At the July meeting, the Board voted to prohibit the winter storage of boats in the Dock 2 parking lot. This vote was taken only after the Board listened to several presentations by the Nautical Department, including the Dockmaster and liaison. This provided multiple opportunities for discussion and ensured the Board was fully informed prior to rendering a decision. The majority of Board members felt that the advantages of winter boat storage did not outweigh the problems, including the nuisance caused to surrounding UCI members' homes, possible insurance-related issues, and generally unmanageable activities that come from keeping boats unattended in a parking lot for months. It is expected that nautical department members will follow the UCI By-Laws and plan to store their boats properly during the winter months.

Two outstanding events are just around the corner! First, the Annual Fishing Tournament is Saturday, August 31. This is the 50th anniversary of this fabulous Ulmstead tradition! And, the Ulmstead Triathlon takes place on Labor Day. The Triathlon was originally dedicated to the memory of Matt Auer, son of former Ulmstead neighbors Carol and Steve Auer. When Andy and I moved to Ulmstead in 1991, it was Carol Auer who welcomed us. We wish all participants good luck!

Labor Day is nearly upon us. Did you know that the first Labor Day celebration in the U.S. took place in New York City on Sept. 5, 1882, when some 10,000 workers marched in a parade organized by the Central Labor Union and the Knights of Labor? How will you spend your Labor Day? Your UCI Board wishes everyone a safe and happy Labor Day!

Finally, practice random acts of kindness each day and remember that every day is an opportunity to be a great neighbor!

Ginny Vernick president@ulmstead.org

UCI DEPARTMENTS AND ACTIVITIES

NAUTICAL

This year's July 3rd dock party, with about 275 neighbors in attendance, was another overwhelming success. Thanks to Tom Crawford and his O'Loughlin's staff for providing the delicious food and beverages. Again, this year, the crush bar was a huge hit. Even without our usual July 3rd rainstorm, the tent has become a must have fixture--providing shade in the early hours of the party and becoming center stage for the music and dancing later in the evening. The Annual Dock Party, open to all adult UCI members, is made possible by the generosity of Ulmstead's boaters whose fees pay for this party!

The upcoming arrival of Labor Day signals that summer is almost over, and fall is fast approaching. Fall brings lower temperatures and humidity and some of the best boating, fishing, and crabbing of the year.

All UCI members can enjoy the use of our docks. Obey the dock rules, which are available on Ulmstead's website and will soon be posted at the three piers. Also, please be respectful of others' boats and remove all lines and bait when finished fishing and crabbing.

Nautical is finalizing plans on several projects that will improve the function and appearance of our premier marine facilities. We anticipate completing these improvements prior to next year's boating season.

On a disappointing note, the UCI board has voted to suspend the use of the marina parking lots for the parking of trailer boats over the winter months. Nautical feels that storing trailer boats on marina parking lots is a legitimate and sensible use of these facilities. In addition to providing a valuable service to the boaters, keeping these trailer boats off the streets makes walking, running, biking, and driving in Ulmstead safer. Despite Nautical's efforts to offer solutions to the board's concerns that were raised, the board voted 4-2 to not allow boats to be stored on the marina lots. Nautical will continue to press the board to reverse its decision which we believe is in the best interest of the community but, until that happens, winter trailer boat storage will not be allowed.



Please contact Bill Zichos at Dockmaster@ulmstead.org for information on boat slips, small boat storage, and the boat ramp.

Bill Zichos

THE COURT CLUB

We are thrilled to see the Court Club busy with so many tennis and pickleball players! We have had so many youngsters trying both sports, and several new players actually made their high school tennis teams for the first time this year! They've been working hard, taking lessons, and all that hard work has paid off. Congratulations to these amazing young athletes! We are so happy seeing the next generation finding a love for these games.

A gentle reminder to be respectful of the players on adjacent courts. We have players of all ages and abilities enjoying these amazing amenities, and errant balls on tight courts are something we all have to tolerate. Whether it's a lesson, match, or fun practice, we all have the right to be there and enjoy the courts – so please have a little bit of patience and remember we are all neighbors (and remind your guests of this as well!). Remember, also, to always practice good court etiquette when chasing loose balls or walking through courts that have play underway!

Here's hoping that the hot days are behind us and that we can continue to enjoy the courts as the cooler fall weather moves in. Continue to look for court improvements including more wind screens, crack fill/repair, and fence fixes. See you at the Courts!

SOCIAL

Stay Connected with the UCI Calendar!

Want to stay in the know on all the Ulmstead happenings? Please make it a habit to check out the online calendar on the Ulmstead.org home page!

September has kicked off to a fun start with the Triathlon and Fishing Tournament, but **Beer and Brats** is right around the corner on **Friday**, **October 4**.

Bookmark the UCI calendar and don't miss a thing!



Request from the editor: If your child is listed in Youth Services, please check the information to ensure that it is up to date. Also, if your son or daughter has moved on to college or is no longer interested in being on the Youth Services page, please contact me at weathervane@ulmstead.org so that I can remove them.

Thanks so much! Your Weathervane editor, Donna

MEMBERSHIP

See print version for details.



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.

Youth Services: Please send updates to weathervane@ulmstead.org



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Ulmstead Calendar – September 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	Happy LABOR DAY	3	Board Meeting 6:30 p.m.	5	6	7
8	9	10	11 ***********************************	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	National Good Neighbor Day
VFW DAY	30					

Reminders: The deadline for the October Weathervane is September 25. Email: weathervane@ulmstead.org