Following an eight-year dispute process, the City of Upper Arlington has prevailed in its efforts to preserve the professional office complex on Arlington Centre Boulevard currently owned by Tree of Life Christian Schools for commercial use only. After the City prevailed at the federal trial and appellate court levels, the case ultimately was submitted to the Supreme Court of the United States for its consideration. On May 13, the Supreme Court denied the request for its review of the case, essentially bringing the issue to a close in the City’s favor.

“This is a significant result for our City,” said Acting City Manager Dan Ralley. “The commercial property in question once represented approximately 35% of the City’s income tax revenue stream during its heyday, and as one of the largest parcels of land in our community that is zoned for office use, it’s a critical site for us from an economic development perspective.”

The City’s long-standing zoning code does not permit any schools, whether public, private or religious, to be located in the five percent of the City that is zoned for commercial uses. Schools are permitted in the remaining 95 percent of the City.

In August of 2010, Tree of Life bought the former AOL/Time Warner office building—which had previously served as the headquarters for CompuServe—for the purpose of consolidating several schools throughout Central Ohio into one location. This purchase was made despite repeated advice from City Staff that Upper Arlington’s zoning code did not permit any schools at that location. Tree of Life purchased the property fully aware that schools of any kind were a prohibited use.

Tree of Life filed its lawsuit in January 2011 claiming the City had violated its constitutional rights and a federal statute requiring cities to treat religious assemblies on equal terms as non-religious assemblies. The City argued throughout the case that Tree of Life was treated no differently than any other school.

“We are ready to look to the future, and we sincerely hope that Tree of Life representatives will be open to beginning a dialogue on the opportunities that this site opens up for Upper Arlington and the business community, and that we can undertake a good faith exploration of how to get there,” continued Ralley.

“This has been a momentous effort by our Staff and legal counsel,” said Council President Kip Greenhill. “They remained committed and optimistic that the City’s right to preserve the site’s commercial zoning would prevail. I am confident that my fellow Council members share my gratitude for the work performed on our community’s behalf.”
Jack Nicklaus Tribute

As UA served as host community for the 2016 U.S. Senior Open golf championship at the Scioto Country Club, we took advantage of this historic event to recognize and celebrate one of Upper Arlington’s favorite sons—internationally renowned golfer Jack Nicklaus—by renaming Parkway Park as “Jack Nicklaus Park.” This marked the launch of an initiative by a group of residents, family members and high school friends of Mr. Nicklaus—with the support of the Upper Arlington Community Foundation—to install a privately-funded tribute to Jack at the park. On May 30, City officials gathered with Foundation members, Jack and Barbara Nicklaus, and others to celebrate the completion of a memorial that recognizes Mr. Nicklaus’ formative years in UA (see cover image).

2019 Mosquito Prevention Program

Like clockwork, a rainy spring followed by warm weather brings mosquitoes out just in time for summer. Mosquitoes are not only a nuisance, they are a potential health risk as transmitters of disease. While the reported number of human cases are few, it’s important for us to do our part when it comes to mosquito control.

There are several ways to eliminate potential mosquito habitats. Make a habit of emptying, removing, covering or up-ending receptacles with the potential to hold water. Clean out gutters, bird-baths, pets’ water dishes and toddler pools, and take measures to treat and seal any rainwater barrels. You can treat these areas with Mosquito Dunks® – a natural bacteria toxic only to mosquito larvae.

From mid-May through September, Franklin County Public Health (FCPH) sets traps to identify areas where there are high numbers of mosquitoes or areas where mosquitoes are carrying West Nile Virus. If necessary, FCPH uses adulticiding (spraying) to reduce mosquito populations.

New for 2019, FCPH is using Merus 3.0—a natural botanical pyrethrin listed with the Organic Materials Review Institute. Pyrethrins are botanical insecticides derived from chrysanthemum flowers that can be applied in and around organic gardens. FCPH has also improved its website, making it easier for residents to make online requests, complete a “Do Not Spray” form (which must be completed annually), and providing a registration option for beekeepers to help protect honey bee populations.

When FCPH decides to spray, here are some precautions you can take:

- Bring pets indoors.
- Remain indoors with windows closed for about 30 minutes after spraying has occurred.
- If you come in contact with any pesticides, wash with soap and water.
- Bring laundry inside or rewash items if you were unable to bring them in before spraying occurred.
- Wash any exposed fruits or vegetables from your garden before using them.
- Allow about one hour to pass before allowing children to play in areas that have been treated.

If adulticiding is necessary, the City typically receives at least 24 hours’ notice of areas to be treated. In turn, we use ALERT Franklin County, our website and social media to inform affected residents. Visit our Mosquito Control page at upperarlingtonoh.gov for full program details.

The City is part of the Franklin County emergency notification system, an online tool that can quickly dispatch emergency texts, emails and voice messages. The City uses this system to notify residents of summertime mosquito spraying. To receive the most benefit from this notification tool, you are advised to register and tailor your account relative to how you would like to receive updates.

REGISTER TODAY AT: upperarlingtonoh.gov/connect
Devon Pool Phase III Update

The new poolhouse at Devon is complete and now being enjoyed by families for the summer season. There’s still more work to be done at Devon however—the replacement of two aging mechanical buildings, repairs to concrete decking and a new toddler pool/feature.

An initial review of the existing toddler pool highlighted that modifications of any substance would trigger the need to bring the pool into compliance with ADA standards and Ohio Swimming Pool Codes. With this knowledge, the planning team began to think about options to enhance Devon Pool and complement the range of facilities available at the City’s three outdoor pools.

In April, resident input was sought through two public meetings and an online survey. Many favored a sprayground option, however several additional themes emerged: retain a feature that is tailored to toddlers; provide options for introducing toddlers to water depth; provide an area that can accommodate toddler swim lessons. When presenting the results to Council later in April, it was agreed further exploration of options for the toddler pool/feature was appropriate.

As Staff and the consultant team at Hardlines Design Company began considering the next steps, it became clear that time was not on our side. In order to complete the necessary design work, seek community and Council input, secure construction bids, etc., the overall project schedule would have been delayed, which in turn, would have delayed the pool’s opening for the 2020 aquatics season.

As a result, at a June 3 Conference Session, Staff informed Council that we would be splitting the project in two. The mechanical buildings will be addressed as planned and remain on schedule for late 2019/2020 construction, in plenty of time for the 2020 swim season.

Work continues to further develop options for the toddler pool, but this last phase of construction at Devon will now be delayed, allowing the time needed to fully explore and reach consensus on the best option, while also enabling the Parks & Recreation Department to make some timing and funding adjustments within the Parks Capital Improvement Program.

We hope you stay involved! Please watch for updates the toddler pool planning process later this year, which will include additional opportunities for resident input.
Community Relations Assessment

At a February retreat, City Council developed a strategic plan and organizational goals for the coming one-to-two years. This included the vision statement: “Upper Arlington’s community pride, thoughtful planning, collaborative approach, and financial stability are the cornerstones of our success. Together we meet the health, safety, recreational, educational and cultural needs of our citizens, businesses and families, while nurturing connections, volunteerism and leadership.”

An area of focus brought to the City’s attention thanks to the work of Equal UA, is a strong desire to explore options for the advancement of the community as place that is welcoming, cohesive and inclusive. To help us get there, UA resident Floyd Akins is leading a community relations assessment effort that is seeking to uncover the issues requiring our attention AND to develop a roadmap that will enable us to build on our strengths and shore up areas of weakness, so that all in our community feel connected, supported and valued.

The process began with two community relations assessments workshops, held in May and June. In total, approximately 100 community members participated, sharing many insights and ideas.

Over the summer, Mr. Akins will be creating a draft report and set of recommendations that will be shared with members of Equal UA and ultimately with City Council in the fall.

This is expected to include additional opportunities for community involvement as we move this important issue forward, so we encourage residents to watch for updates and be part of the process.

Full details, including workshop materials and survey data can be found at upperarlingtonoh.gov.

CITY STREETS

Street Reconstruction Program
Complete road reconstruction, new curb and gutter, driveway apron replacement and storm sewer repairs, for sections of Cresthill, Fairfax, Osborn and Stonehaven drives, Dorset, Oakridge, Shoreham, Wareham and Woodbridge roads, Grace Lane, and Stonehaven Court North and South.

Street Maintenance Program
Routine road surfacing repairs designed to prolong the useful life of a street for sections of Arlington Avenue, Canterbury, Charing, Inchcliffe, Mountview, Ridgecliff, Sheringham, Shrewsbury and Swansea roads.

Waterline Replacements
Replacement of waterlines, service transfer and installation of full-depth pavement patch for Ainwick and Haviland roads.

Henderson Road Improvements (Riverside to Sawmill)
Road reconstruction, new curb and gutter, and storm sewer and sanitary infrastructure improvements. Pedestrian and bicycle accommodations will be included, as well as intersection improvements at Henderson & Sawmill.

DETOUR: This section of Henderson is closed to thru traffic through September. Check our website for the recommended detours.

Fishinger/US 33 Improvements
ODOT is making improvements to this intersection. Traffic is reduced to one-lane in all directions now through the end of June, with traffic delays expected.

View our project map, featuring regular updates as work progresses, at www.upperarlingtonoh.gov.
Community Center Feasibility Study

A strong desire by many in our community—heard loud and clear by City Council and the Administration—is to revisit the issue of inadequate indoor recreation and community gathering space. Most notably, in a statistically valid survey conducted as part of the Parks & Recreation Comprehensive Plan process, 81% of respondents supported a feasibility study on a multi-generational indoor recreation facility.

City Council is in the midst of forming a study group to guide this process. It is anticipated that the group will be selected and given its charge at the July 8 City Council Meeting. The group will then begin work this summer, with the goal of presenting its findings and recommendations back to Council early in 2020. The scope of the study will include, but is not limited to:

- Ensuring that the study process includes extensive opportunities for community participation.
- Assessing the community’s needs and existing conditions.
- Reviewing options for replacement of the City’s existing Senior Center (combined or stand-alone facility).
- Reviewing the facilities and models of operation in other communities.
- Reviewing Upper Arlington’s history relative to the community center issue.
- Considering public/private models.
- Identifying the scope, projected costs and possible location.
- Exploring funding strategies for constructing, operating and maintaining a prospective facility.
- Reporting out the emerging options and cost scenarios, and then studying the level of community support, to include a statistically valid survey.

Citizen Financial Review Task Force Update

Since early April, the Citizen Financial Review Task Force has been reviewing steps taken to implement the recommendations of a 2014 task force and determine if additional recommendations should be established and pursued by the City. In mid-June, task force representatives provided an update to City Council. A few high level findings discussed thus far include:

- The City continues to be in strong financial shape and there are sufficient revenues to support both operations and a robust capital plan.
- Financial challenges do remain, with the potential for an economic downturn, therefore it will be important for the City to continue to monitor for any challenges that would require a response in the event of a decline in revenues.
- Based on 2017 Community Survey findings and meetings with department heads, resident satisfaction with City services appears to be high and the City has been responsive to issues or changing service needs.
- Knowing that City Council is readying to conduct a community center feasibility study, the task force believes this initiative should fully consider all costs for building, operating and maintaining such a facility, as well as the potential impacts it might have.

In the coming weeks, watch for updates on this process and how you can be involved.
have on other needs of the City. This should include an exploration of public/private partnerships and privatization options. Additionally, the task force believes that funds generated from the 2014 income tax increase should not be part of a funding strategy for such a facility.

The task force hopes to finalize its report by the end of June, for presentation to Council at the July 8 City Council Meeting. Full details of the task force, including meeting summaries and presentations, can be found at upperarlingtonoh.gov.

**Lane Avenue Study**

Another study on the horizon pertains to Lane Avenue, the City’s most rapidly evolving commercial district.

In recent years, the area has seen unprecedented reinvestment. The results to date have enhanced the district’s vibrancy, providing new dining, retail and service options for residents. Concurrently, the City has implemented measures to address parking and traffic concerns, provide transitional buffers from the commercial district into the adjoining residential neighborhood, and to enhance pedestrian and bicycle access.

A statistically valid survey on the corridor was conducted at the close of 2018. The results indicated high levels of resident satisfaction with the recent developments, increased access to shops and amenities, and the steps taken to mitigate traffic and access.

With new developments on the horizon—such as The Lane II (which begins construction this summer)—and Arlington Gateway, combined with the pressures of a growing region, Council believes it’s time to take a holistic look at the district to better understand the impacts of future growth, and put in place a framework that will help guide this growth in a way that best benefits the community.

Expected to begin this summer, a consultant will be secured to conduct a comprehensive study that will include:

- Developing commercial streetscape standards to enhance the business district, with a focus on pedestrian activity, bicycle accommodations, transit use, outdoor dining, and opportunities for public art and public gathering spaces.
- Reviewing and making recommendations for modifying the City’s commercial design standards.
- A comprehensive traffic evaluation of Lane Avenue, from Riverside Drive to State Route 315—to include traffic counts and projecting maximum future development counts—to develop a phased approach to congestion mitigation and parking requirements.

The study process is expected to include an extensive citizen engagement component, providing opportunities for residents to learn about the significance of the business district for Upper Arlington’s future and to provide input on what they believe should be priority considerations.

The City has issued a Request for Qualifications to secure an experienced consultant that can meet the needs of this comprehensive study. A recommendation will be presented to City Council at the July 8 City Council Meeting. Pending Council’s authorization to proceed, the study is expected to begin this summer.

Please watch for additional details and ways to become involved.
Keep Your Fourth of July Celebrations Safe!

UA’s favorite day of celebration is almost here. Here are some guidelines and safety reminders worth noting, to make sure our Fourth of July activities are enjoyable for all!

Fireworks Safety
By Alan Thompson, Fire Division
I look forward to the Fourth of July every year. UA celebrates the day in fine fashion with a first class parade and a stellar fireworks display, all courtesy of the Upper Arlington Civic Association.

Block parties, pool parties, baseball games and class reunions happen all over the City, in what feels like a weeklong party surrounding the Fourth.

Unfortunately, that same time period is fraught with danger. Annually, 13,000 people are injured and seven people killed, on average, in fireworks accidents throughout the US. Additionally, thousands of fires are ignited causing millions of dollars of property loss. The vast majority of these incidents occur in the four-week span surrounding the Fourth. Of note, 99% of the injuries and deaths, and most of the fires are the result of consumer grade fireworks—not professional, public firework shows.

Sparklers, available for sale in Ohio, burn at 2,000 degrees, hot enough to melt many metals. They account for burn injuries and start many of the fires. The same can be said for firecrackers and bottle rockets. Sadly, these injuries and much of the property loss impact innocent bystanders.

The City recognizes these dangers and enacted laws prohibiting the sale, possession or use of consumer fireworks, including sparklers, bottle rockets, firecrackers and trick noisemakers. It is not the intent of the City to be heavy-handed in enforcement, but the City has and will continue to enforce them, especially when unsafe situations are witnessed by police.

As the Fourth of July approaches please enjoy all that Upper Arlington has to offer, but be wise, and above all, be safe. Leave the fireworks to the professionals.

Golf Carts
A popular trend in UA is the rental of golf carts for use over the course of the Fourth of July holiday period. It sounds like a fun idea, but there are requirements and potential consequences associated with this practice.

In June, City Council revisited this issue, following the enactment of a new State law that prohibits the use of all “under speed vehicles” (including golf carts) on any street, unless the local authority specifically authorizes it. This discussion was to include whether the City should authorize residents’ use of code-compliant golf carts year-round, and whether the City should exempt non-compliant golf carts around the Fourth of July.

Council direction was pending at the time this edition of UA Insight went to print, so please check the City’s website for an overview of their determination and how it affects the use of golf carts during the Fourth of July holiday period.

The Parade Route
In the days leading up to the Parade, the route along Northwest Boulevard becomes overrun with lawn chairs and areas taped off by families staking their spectator spot. We ask that you refrain from this practice until just a few days before the parade, but recognize that once the first few chairs go out, more will follow quickly.

It’s important to note that by placing your property at the curb similar to when placing trash or bulk items out for collection, you run the risk of having your property taken by opportunistic passersby. In such instances, the loss is not considered theft.

Float Debris
The City is providing access to roll-off dumpsters for free disposal of float debris, as self-service drop-off locations. Please be prepared to transport your items from your truck or trailer to the dumpster. Items do not need to be bundled and nails do not need to be removed—simply toss your items into the dumpster. Please note: tires, wet paint, and hazardous materials are not accepted.

The City will have drop-off sites available for float debris. Call the Public Service Department at 614-583-5350 for drop-off locations or if you have any questions regarding float debris disposal.

Dog Safety
More dogs run away around the Fourth of July holiday than any other time of year. For most dogs, the loud sounds and smells of fireworks are strange and scary. Here’s how to keep your faithful friend safe this time of year:

- Make sure your dog gets plenty of exercise earlier in the day.
- Keep your dog safely inside during the evening hours when fireworks are likely to go off, with access to a favorite “safe place.” Keep windows and curtains closed. Leave a TV or music on if you go out.

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CITY NEWS AND USEFUL INFORMATION FOR RESIDENTS

Public Holidays
City offices are closed in observance of the following holiday:
• Thursday, July 4 – Independence Day. Solid Waste collection is delayed by one day for zone 4.
• Monday, September 2 – Labor Day. Solid Waste collection is delayed by one day for all zones.

City iNSIGHT eNews
CITY MANAGER’S OFFICE 614-583-5040
Get timely service news and special project updates from the City, with information similar to what you find in this newsletter sent directly to your inbox. To register to receive our e-newsletter, go to upperarlingtonoh.gov.

Public Meetings
CITY CLERK’S OFFICE 614-583-5030
A full list of upcoming public meetings of City Council and various Boards and Commissions can be found on our Event Calendar, at upperarlingtonoh.gov.

Highlights of upcoming Council Meeting agendas are shared on Facebook, with meetings live-streamed. Like @CityofUA for these useful updates today!

Senior Center Highlights
Kayaking the Scioto River
SENIOR CENTER 614-583-5320
See the Scioto River from a different perspective, on a kayak. Kayaks, paddles, life vests and instruction are provided to get you on your way. Cost: $35, pre-registration is required.
• Thursday, July 11, 10-11:30 am
• Wednesday, August 21, 10-11:30 am

Home Security Alarm Permits
POLICE DIVISION 614-583-5100
Households with home security systems are required to obtain a license from the Police Division. The one-time $50 fee is non-transferable and covers both Police and Fire services. Households are allowed up to three false alarms per calendar year—any false alarms thereafter are subject to a $50 fine to offset the costs for emergency response.

Sale of Old Street Signs
PUBLIC SERVICE 614-583-5350
The City’s Public Service Department is in the midst of upgrading street signs. As we replace the old with the new, we are making our old signs available to the community for purchase. Enjoy your very own keepsake for your street, and be the envy of your neighbors. Signs cost $29 for those between 24”-30” in length, $37 for 36” signs, and $45 for any signs sized 41” or above. Visit upperarlingtonoh.gov for details.

Upper Arlington Bridges
www.neighborhoodbridges.org
If you like the idea of directly helping your fellow community members when a need arises, be sure to register for updates from Upper Arlington Bridges. Visit www.neighborhoodbridges.org to register for email updates for the Upper Arlington program, or follow @uabridges on Facebook.

Tobacco Free Parks
PARKS & RECREATION 614-583-5300
The City has been a regional leader in the past in its efforts to protect the health and welfare of residents relative to tobacco use. This has included the prohibition of smoking inside businesses and public facilities in 2004 (two years prior to a statewide ban), and raising the age for tobacco product purchases to 21 years in 2015.

This spring, the City’s Board of Health recommended to City Council that all nicotine products should be prohibited in the City’s public parks. This includes cigarettes, cigars, e-cigarettes and vaping devices. Factors leading to this recommendation include a desire to address an alarming rise in vaping, second-hand smoke concerns and other health issues. Council approved this legislation in April and it went into effect at the end of May.

Book the Barn for Your Event
PARKS & RECREATION 614-583-5300
The Amelita Mirolo Barn at Sunny 95 Park is a popular venue for weddings and other memorable events, such as birthday parties, retirements, baby and wedding showers and corporate events. Book the Barn at upperarlingtonoh.gov.

Grass/Weed Control Guidelines
CODE COMPLIANCE 614-583-5070
The care and maintenance of property and landscaping benefits the entire community. City code specifies that grass must not exceed 10 inches in height and should be kept free of noxious weeds. Failure to comply will result in notice from the City to rectify the situation within five days, at which time the City will make arrangements to cut the grass/weeds at the owner’s expense.

Block Party Permits
CITY MANAGER’S OFFICE 614-583-5040
Planning for some summer fun on your street? Be sure to allow at least one week to get your block party permit approved. There is a nonrefundable $50 fee for block party permits. You can file your permit online at upperarlingtonoh.gov.

Tree Damage
PARKS & FORESTRY 614-583-5340
If a damaged tree is a threat to public safety, or obstructing the street or sidewalk, call Parks & Forestry at the above number during office hours. After hours situations can be reported to 614-459-2800. For immediate emergencies call 9-1-1.

Following severe weather, the City is responsible for clearing debris from street trees in the public right-of-way. Debris from private trees is the
responsibility of the property owner. However, the City may clear private debris from streets or sidewalks when expedient, or take action to abate immediate hazards even if privately owned trees are involved. Emergency and storm cleanup is prioritized using several criteria, and your patience is appreciated.

Do not approach downed or damaged power lines. Call your utility company or the Fire Division non-emergency line, at 614-583-5124, for assistance.

Garage/Yard Sales

**CODE COMPLIANCE**  614-583-5070
Residents may conduct one garage/yard sale during any six-month period not to exceed three consecutive days or two days on two consecutive weekends. Sales may be held 8 am–8 pm, with items placed for display in a garage or backyard. Any signage should meet a set of guidelines, available at upperarlingtonoh.gov.

The 2019 Wall of Honor Ceremony inducted two former residents onto the plaza wall of the Municipal Services Center—Lawrence E. Hughes (family pictured left) and Blaine T Sickles. We invite you to stop by to learn about the accomplishments of these two individuals, along with the many other inductees that have been added to the wall since 1990.

**2018 Popular Annual Financial Report**

**FINANCE**  614-583-5291
Look for your copy of the 2018 Popular Annual Financial Report (PAFR), coming in the mail later this summer. This report provides a reader-friendly summary of the City’s financial activities and standing from the previous year.

**SCRAM! Wildlife Control**

**www.SCRAMWildlife.org**
The City contracts with SCRAM! Wildlife Control, a division of the Ohio Wildlife Center, to provide wildlife management services to residents and businesses at a discounted rate. Full details can be found at www.SCRAMwildlife.org. The City has an Animal Control guidelines page under the Resources section of its website, at upperarlingtonoh.gov.

**Prohibition of Short-Term Rentals**

**CITY ATTORNEY’S OFFICE**  614-583-5020
Preservation of UA’s cherished residential neighborhoods is a top community priority. To that end, in the spring City Council passed Ordinance 22-2019, making the prohibition of home or apartment short-term rentals permanent. This applies to any rental of less than 30 days in duration. It also prohibits bed and breakfast establishments, apartment hotels, and hotels and motels within the community’s residential districts.

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**Fourth of July Safety**

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- In case your dog is outside when fireworks start going off, leading up to and over the holiday, regularly check that gates are securely latched and there are no escape routes under the fence. Check that your dog’s collar is properly fitted so that it won’t slip over his head, and that it has ID tags.
- Don’t take your dog to any event where organized (or unorganized) fireworks are part of the evening’s entertainment.
- If you know your dog is likely to have a particularly strong fear reaction to the sound of fireworks, talk with your vet about options that might help—such as using a thundershirt or calming medication—and the best timing for helping your dog before he gets too stressed.

Here’s to a safe and enjoyable Fourth of July weekend for all!
After several years of planning, construction is now underway on five projects in the first phase of the community-developed master plan for Upper Arlington Schools.

“All of the projects in the first phase of the master plan remain on budget and on schedule as construction progresses,” said Andrew Geistfeld, the district’s treasurer/CFO.

Over the next two months, residents will see completion of the first major elements on the site of the new High School. Construction is quickly progressing on the updates to the stadium, and the new track, visitor and concession buildings, home bleachers and press box will be completed in preparation for the fall athletics season. Footing and foundation work for the new building will progress during the months of July and August. By mid-August, the steel structure will begin to take shape.

The first four elementary school projects are also underway. Initial site and building preparations have begun for the new Greensview and Wickliffe schools, and the renovation and addition to Barrington and Tremont. Over the next two months, underground utility, footing and foundation work will progress in preparation for new construction or additions on the four sites. At Tremont, interior demolition will begin in preparation for the renovation portion of the project.

On May 19, hundreds of students and families, staff members and community members gathered to kick off construction on the four elementary school projects.

“This is an incredibly exciting time for our community, our students and families, and our staff as we begin ‘Building Our Future’ with new or renovated learning spaces that will lead us into our second century,” said Superintendent Paul Imhoff, Ed.D.

“What will happen inside these school buildings will continue our tradition of excellence as a lighthouse district.”

A groundbreaking ceremony for the sixth project in the first phase of the schools master plan, a new Windermere Elementary School, will follow in the spring of 2020.

As construction continues, the district invites community members to view furniture options for the new schools on August 10 and 11 from 10 am-3 pm, and August 12 from 10 am-Noon in the high school cafeteria.

The new and renovated buildings were designed to provide additional space for the district’s growing enrollment, which is projected to increase by 1,250 students, or 20 percent, in the next decade. In the event that growth exceeds projections, each project has been designated to have a logical place for a classroom addition, if needed.

After completion of the first phase of the master plan, the Upper Arlington Board of Education and the community will need to revisit the second phase, including the two middle schools and Burbank Early Childhood School.

For construction updates and more information about these projects, visit www.uaschools.org/facilities.

**TENTATIVE CONSTRUCTION TIMELINE**

- **Fall 2019:** Completion of high school stadium
- **June 2020:** Demolition of the current Windermere building will begin. The old Wickliffe will serve as transitional space for Windermere students for the 2020-2021 school year.
- **Fall 2020:** The new Greensview and Wickliffe Progressive elementary schools and the renovated Tremont Elementary School will be completed and open to students.

- **Fall 2021:** The new high school and the new Windermere and renovated Barrington elementary schools will be completed and open to students. Work will continue on the high school site to examine the area where the Pleasant Litchford cemetery was located, demolish the old building and develop athletic fields.
- **Fall 2022:** The new high school site and first phase of the community-developed master plan will be completed.
The final weeks of the 2018-2019 school year were packed with excitement. We welcomed 463 new graduates from the Upper Arlington High School Class of 2019 into the distinguished ranks of alumni. And, on the afternoon of May 19, we ceremonially marked the start of construction on four elementary projects with community groundbreakings.

During the summer, an important project will continue to unfold: the next iteration of our district’s strategic plan. The 2015-2018 Strategic Plan guided our district to many successes, including completion of the community-driven facilities master planning process for our aging school buildings and implementation of the districtwide one-to-one technology program.

Over the past several months, staff members, community members, students and professional experts have come together to inform the planning process for the three goal areas in the new strategic plan: student and staff well-being, whole learning and continuous improvement. The new strategic plan will build upon the district’s strengths in academics through the whole learning goal and continue to focus on operational efficiency and a culture of continuous improvement throughout the district. It will also establish the new area of focus involving well-being, with an emphasis on two key areas: belonging and school/life balance. As a district, we believe that well-being is the cornerstone for producing a safe learning environment where students can thrive.

In June, I presented a draft version of the next strategic plan to the Board of Education. The board is reviewing the draft and anticipates taking action during the August 13 meeting with the goal of implementation for the 2019-2020 school year.

You can learn more about the strategic planning process at www.uaschools.org/StrategicPlan.aspx. If you have questions or thoughts, please reach out by emailing superintendent@uaschools.org.

Congratulations to the Class of 2019!

Approximately 460 Upper Arlington High School seniors received their diplomas and joined the prestigious ranks of Golden Bear alumni at the 95th annual commencement ceremony on Sunday, May 26 at the Jerome Schottenstein Center.

The graduates will find themselves both near to and far from Upper Arlington for their next chapter in life. The majority of the graduates will be attending a college or university, while others are opting to pursue entrepreneurship, employment, a gap year before attending college, or the military.

The map locates in gold the states and identifies some of the universities or colleges where the graduates plan to attend school, based on student-reported data compiled by The Arlingtonian. Many will not be far from home – approximately 80 graduates will attend The Ohio State University.
Your Opportunity to be Part of Legacy Campaign

Watch your mailbox for an invitation to participate in the Upper Arlington Legacy Capital Campaign, the largest philanthropic endeavor in our community’s history.

Every donor, every dollar brings success to meeting the Legacy Capital Campaign’s $7.5 million goal. Private donors have already raised nearly $5 million. Now is the time for everyone to join together to raise the remaining $2.5 million to further enhance the programs and equipment provided within Upper Arlington Schools. This is a unique opportunity for individuals, families and businesses to leave a meaningful legacy for generations of students to come.

Additional information will be arriving in mailboxes soon, or you can visit www.uaschools.org/legacycampaign.

Educators, Alumni to be Honored at UAAA’s Alumni Day

The Upper Arlington Alumni Association invites alumni, community members and their families to the annual UA Alumni Day on Saturday, July 6 from 1-4 pm at the High School.

The afternoon will feature a ceremony recognizing this year’s inductees into the Upper Arlington Schools Educator Hall of Fame and recipients of the UAAA’s Outstanding and Distinguished Alumni Awards.

The Educator Hall of Fame honorees are: Bonnie Emery (Barrington Elementary); Joe Conley (UAHS); Virginia Gardier (Burbank Early Childhood School and Greensview Elementary); Elizabeth “Betsey” Miller (UAHS); and Dan Sebastian (UAHS).

The recipients of the Outstanding Alumni Award is Mary DeCesaro Cameron (Class of 1979). The recipients of the Distinguished Alumni Awards are Justice Herb Brown (Class of 1949) and Peter H. Edwards, Jr. (Class of 1979).

The Alumni Open House will also feature a performance by alumni rock band the Girlfriends, displays of memorabilia, and the opportunity to tour the current high school building and learn about the plans for the new high school. Bear Essentials, UA’s campus store, will also be open.

UA+Ed Golden Bear Bash! Returns September 1

The Upper Arlington Education Foundation (UA+Ed) invites you to enjoy an evening of fun with friends and neighbors at the 13th annual Golden Bear Bash! on Sunday, September 1 from 6-10 pm at the Tremont Center. Sponsorships and admission tickets are available at www.goldenbearbash.com. Admission tickets are $65 per person (or $75 after August 25) and include food and entertainment by Grassinine. No tickets are sold at the door as the event always sells out.

Proceeds benefit UA+Ed and its mission to privately fund and support programs, materials and opportunities that maintain, strengthen and enrich the students’ environment and educational experiences, the expenses of which exceed the budget of Upper Arlington Schools.

Sophomores Taking Documentary on Polio to National Competition

Two Upper Arlington High School sophomores received the top honor at the Ohio History Day competition in April for their documentary on the polio vaccine, earning an opportunity to advance to the national competition.

Through their documentary

2019-20 SCHOOL DATES

First day of school, grades 2-5; orientation for grades 6 & 9
Thursday, August 15

Kindergarten & First Grade Orientation
Thursday, August 15 - Friday, August 16

First day of school, grades 7-8 & 10-12
Friday, August 16

Labor Day
Monday, September 2
No school for students and staff

Early Dismissal (K-12)
Wednesday, September 25
• Morning kindergarten ends at 10:05 am; afternoon kindergarten begins at 11:05 am; no LIFT classes
• Dismissal at 1 pm for elementary students; 1:30 pm for secondary students

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siblings Kaya and Defne Ceyhan “have accomplished what all great historians strive to do – they honored the human experience,” said Joe Endres, a social studies teacher at the high school. “Kaya and Defne presented the story in a way that emotionally moved and educated their audience, to feel the fear of those who were struck with the disease, and to respect the diligence of the scientists who put an end to that suffering. It’s an amazing work of academic filmmaking.”

The students are representing Upper Arlington High School and the state of Ohio at the national History Day competition in June at the University of Maryland, where they will attend lectures from professional historians and compete against other young historians from around the country to earn scholarship money.

“**Arlingtonian,** its Website Receive Top Honors in State**

UA High School’s “**Arlingtonian**” and the www.arlingtonian.com website were honored as the top newsmagazine and top online news site in the state at the Ohio Scholastic Media Association awards. In addition, students who work on “**The Arlingtonian**” received 27 individual awards – 10 superiors, eight excellents and nine honorable mentions in categories such as newswriting, general feature, commentary, art, ad design and layout.

Congratulations to all of the award winners: Sammy Bonasso, Dylan Carlson Sirvent, Katherine Dominek, Clare Driscoll, Ayah Elsheikh, Sofia Imitola, Maya Mattan, Summer Powell, Sophia Shen, Josie Stewart, Hallie Underwood, Sophie Yang and Katie Zhao.

**Four Students Advance to National STEM Competition**

Four Upper Arlington students are representing the state of Ohio and the region in the national finals for the 17th annual eCYBERMISSION competition, sponsored by the U.S. Army and administered by the National Science Teachers Association.

The eCYBERMISSION competition challenges students in grades six through nine to develop solutions to real-world problems. For their entry, Nathan Adams, Jenna Drobny, Rahul Rajaram and Taylor Speas focused their research on the opioid epidemic and designed a pain relief device that is meant to be an alternative to the extended use of prescription opioids.

The students all completed eighth grade at Hastings Middle School in May and will attend Upper Arlington High School in the fall. By earning first place in the 11-state region that includes Ohio, they received $2,000 each in U.S. Savings Bonds and an all-expenses paid trip to the national competition and educational event this summer in Washington, D.C.

**Treasurer’s Notes**

Andrew L. Geistfeld

Each year, I share two important check-in points for our district’s finances.

In October, I prepare a five-year financial forecast that includes three years of actual data and five years of anticipated revenues and expenditures. This legally required document is presented to the Board of Education and then filed with the State of Ohio.

In May, I update the five-year financial forecast, providing a clear view on our financial outlook and the impact of future needs. In this May’s update, the anticipated financial impact of enrollment growth continues to be a primary area to monitor.

Many residents are surprised to learn that the student population in our district is growing rapidly. Based on a third-party enrollment projection report that was updated in October 2018, districtwide enrollment is expected to grow by 20 percent – the equivalent of approximately 1,250 students – by 2028-2029.

More students create a need for more supplies, space and staff. The district anticipates adding 40 teaching positions over the next four years due to increased enrollment and programmatic changes.

With this trend likely to continue over the next 10 years, the district will continue monitoring enrollment growth to plan for its financial effects.

To learn more about our district’s finances, I invite you to review the May update to the five-year forecast or our district’s annual Financial Update at www.uaschools.org/treasurer.aspx.

**OASBO award**

On behalf of the Board of Education, I would like to congratulate our chief operating officer, Chris Potts, on receiving the Rich Unger Pinnacle Award from the Ohio Association of School Business Officials for his work on the community-driven facilities master planning process for our schools.

Anyone who knows Chris knows that he is tireless in his dedication to our schools and our students, and we are very fortunate to have him on our district’s team.

If you have any questions about our district’s finances, please feel free to contact me at treasurer@uaschools.org.
Hastings Middle School hosted its fifth annual Walkathon for South Sudan, benefitting the Buckeye Clinic for South Sudan co-founded by Bol Aweng, who fled South Sudan as a child and now lives in Columbus.

Orchestra students at Upper Arlington High School and Hastings and Jones middle schools heard from someone who once walked in their shoes: Upper Arlington High School alumnus Kevin Ray (Class of 2005) of the rock band Walk the Moon.

The Upper Arlington High School girls lacrosse team won its fifth consecutive state championship on June 1, defeating New Albany 12-10. This is the Golden Bears’ 10th state title overall in girls lacrosse.

Upper Arlington High School students were recognized for service to the community with Presidential Volunteer Service Awards. In all, 115 students logged a total of more than 15,500 service hours.

The elementary schools sent off the Golden Bears Class of 2026 to middle school with clapouts, recognition ceremonies and more in the final days of the school year.

All five elementary schools wrapped up their first year of FIRST LEGO League, a STEM program that was launched by UAHS junior Audrey Strickling with the help of the elementary media specialists and the students on the FIRST Robotics team.

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It was a great day to be a Golden Bear as hundreds of students, families, alumni and community members gathered on Sunday, May 19 for the groundbreaking ceremonies for the next four projects in the first phase of the master plan: the new Greensview and Wickliffe Progressive and the renovation and addition to Barrington and Tremont elementary schools. The students of these schools were at the heart of each ceremony. Student performances opened and closed each event, and student ambassadors from all elementary grade levels stepped up to be the first to break ground for their school’s project.
Senior Capstone Spotlight

The Senior Capstone Project is the culmination of students’ academic experiences at UA High School. It is a way for seniors to merge their interests, passions and curiosities with academic goals. Seniors demonstrate the autonomy, complexity and uniqueness of their Senior Capstone Project in written format and through an oral presentation before high school peers and teachers.

In place of the Senior Capstone Project, seniors in the Community School at the High School engage in a full-time, self-designed independent study exploration. These quarter-long projects may involve career-related experiences, community service endeavors, opportunities to hone practical skills, participation in college programs, involvement in a research project or the pursuit of a creative endeavor.

We welcome community ideas for our students. Submit those ideas, and read about more senior projects, at www.uaschools.org/CapstoneSpotlight.aspx.

Jane Pultz: Short Documentary on UA’s Fourth of July Celebrations

Scout Gold Award, I made a 16-minute documentary on the Fourth of July in Upper Arlington. I interviewed several people involved in the parade and the Party in the Park, as well as community members regarding their memories and experiences on the 4th. I also researched the history of the Fourth of July in UA. The video is on Vimeo, at vimeo.com/275537313.

Why did this focus interest you?
I am a history buff and wanted to learn more about our community and the history of its traditions, especially since last year was the Centennial. It was a way for me to honor my hometown and learn about it at the same time.

How does this project bookend your academic experience?
This project involved using old skills and developing new ones. I used research and source-citing techniques I learned in high school. At the same time, I had to learn how to create a well-developed video. I had learned how to tell stories through a variety of mediums, such as music, art and writing, but I had never told a story through a short film before this project. This project was a perfect way to utilize old techniques while simultaneously learning new ones.

What is your next step after graduation?
I’m going to attend The Ohio State University in the honors program. I’ll be studying history and political science for a double major.
The featured speaker at the 2019 Upper Arlington Author Series will be Samin Nosrat, author and host of the Netflix series *Salt, Fat, Acid, Heat: Mastering the Elements of Good Cooking*. Samin will speak at Upper Arlington High School on Sunday, October 20 at 2 p.m. Her visit will consist of an on-stage interview, Q & A from the audience, and a book signing from 3-4 pm.

Tickets go on sale on August 1 and can be purchased by credit card at www.ualibrary.org, or by cash or check in person at the Adult Services desk at the UA Main Library. Tickets range in price from $15-$35.

The Upper Arlington Community Foundation is currently planning a reception to follow the presentation. Check the Foundation’s Facebook page over the next few weeks for details.

*Salt, Fat, Acid, Heat: Mastering the Elements of Good Cooking* is a New York Times bestseller, and also 2018 James Beard General Cookbook of the Year, 2018 Fortnum & Mason Debut Cookbook, 2018 IACP Cookbook of the Year, 2018 IACP Julia Child First Book Award, and Sunday Times Food Book of the Year 2017. A documentary series based on the book is now streaming on Netflix. In 2018 she was named the Eater Chef of the Year. She is also one of five food columnists for the *New York Times Magazine*.

The Upper Arlington Author Series is presented in partnership with the Upper Arlington Community Foundation. Gramercy Books Bexley is the official bookseller for this event and is donating 20% of the sales at the event back to the UACF’s Ann Royce Moore Fund to support future author visits.

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**Library Eliminates Overdue Fines**

Effective August 1, library patrons will no longer accrue overdue fines on most items. Seniors haven’t paid fines since 2002, and now we’re extending that benefit to all patrons.

“The Library’s mission is to help the community explore, gather and grow,” says Assistant Director Kate Porter.

“Access to our collection is one way we accomplish that, and fines create a barrier to that access.”

Other Central Ohio libraries have gone fine-free in the past few years. This has led to some confusion for patrons using multiple library systems to borrow and return items. Having the same fine policy as most other area libraries will make it easy for both patrons and staff of the partner libraries.

The amount the Library collects for overdue fines has decreased steadily over the years. While some assume the Library relies heavily on income from fines, it actually makes up just 0.45% of annual revenue. Currently, 44% of our revenue comes from the State of Ohio’s Public Library Fund (PLF) and 52% from an Upper Arlington property tax levy.

It’s important to note that patrons are financially responsible for the materials they borrow. Lost items are still subject to replacement fees. Additionally, items borrowed through SearchOhio and OhioLink are subject to fines. Cards will be blocked if you owe $10 or more on your account.

Previously accrued fines will still be valid. Our circulation staff is happy to answer questions about your fines and discuss options, and you’ll find a coupon for up to $8 off your existing overdue fines in the halfway-point prize of the Summer Library Club.
Explore...GATHER...grow!!

Four-year-old Julia Groom was the first person to sign up for the 2019 Summer Library Club. The program continues through July 31.

The Miller Park Library's activity room got a makeover thanks to donations made in memory of Linda Christie. The new paint and furniture make a nice spot for studying, working and kids' craft programs.

Assistant Director Kate Porter, Community Engagement Specialist Jennifer Faure, Director Chris Taylor and Youth Services Manager Tracie Steele represented the Library at the Leadership UA Spring Celebration. Chris received the Distinguished Leadership Award and Tracie graduated from the program.

The Library partnered with Cover to Cover Books to welcome author Alan Gratz.

Children built cardboard rockets and listened to stories at the Main Library's Rocket Into Storytime program.
In general, meetings of the Upper Arlington Public Library Board of Trustees begin at 5 p.m. on the third Tuesday of each month in Meeting Room B of the Main Library. All meetings of the Board and its committees, with the exception of executive sessions, are open to the public. You can sign up to receive email notification of upcoming Board meetings at www.ualibrary.org/pages/board-trustees.

**Upcoming Meeting Dates:**
- No meeting in July
- Tuesday, August 20 at 5 pm

**Library Insight**

**Red, White and Bikes**
Join us on Wednesday, July 3 at 2 pm outside any of our three libraries with your bike and decorate it for the Fourth of July parade or for your own celebration. Decorations available while supplies last; feel free to bring some of your own, too. No rain date and no registration is required.

**Let’s Have a Blast Magic Show**
5, 4, 3, 2, 1 … get ready for some fun! We need to find Sedgie the Hedgehog before he blasts off into outer space. Entertainer Erica Carlson’s show at the Lane Road Library on Thursday, July 11 at 3 pm will be full of unexpected and silly surprises. Erica’s mix of comedy and magic is sure to leave your little ones giggling. For ages 3-7. Registration is required.

**Sci-Fi Trivia for Teens**
Calling all teen Trekkies, Wookies and space fans: we need your help to save the planet! Only your knowledge of science fiction literature, television, and movies can help during this fun trivia night. Come to the Main Library’s youth department on Wednesday, July 17 at 6:30 pm and test your sci-fi knowledge. We’ll have prizes for the sharpest Jedi Masters. For ages 11-18. No registration required.

**Kindergarten Storytimes**
Get a head start at our special storytimes for little ones starting UA kindergartens this fall. Hear a story about starting school and meet your school’s librarian. The Main Library will host Tremont kindergarteners on Monday, August 5 at 6 pm and Wickliffe kindergarteners on Tuesday, August 6 at 10:15 am. Lane Road Library will welcome Windermere kindergarteners on Thursday, August 8 at 6:30 pm, and Miller Park Library will host Barrington kindergarteners on Monday, August 12 at 10:15 am and 11:15 am. Registration required.

**Fun Day Carnival**
Join us for Miller Park Library’s annual free outdoor carnival on Thursday, August 8 at 6:30 pm. Play games and win prizes in a book walk, bean bag toss, face painting, parachute play and more. Don’t miss out on this end-of-summer fun. No registration is required.

**Poolside Storytimes**

Our youth librarians continue their visits to Upper Arlington pools on select Fridays in July to read stories. Join us from 1:45-2 pm during the pool break. These special storytimes will be canceled in the event of predicted or imminent rain, severe wind, or other problematic weather conditions.
- July 12 at Tremont Pool
- July 19 at Reed Road Water Park
- July 26 at Devon Pool
The Great Alone
By Kristin Hannah
In a family drama set in the 1970s, a father, mother and daughter journey to Alaska looking for a new life and a hope that their family can be saved. Ernt is a former POW, a volatile man trying to destroy the demons and nightmares of a war he can't forget. His wife, Cora, struggles to help him while also trying to keep Leni, their 13-year-old daughter, safe from her emotionally explosive father. Both Cora and Leni will have to find the strength and courage within to face and conquer a future that is as unpredictable and uncertain as the Alaskan landscape in which they now live.

— Melanie Stanley, Adult Services

Cinnamon and Gunpowder
By Eli Brown
In his Kitchen Confidential: Adventures in the Culinary Underbelly, the late culinarian Anthony Bourdain recommends this enthralling saga of chef Owen Wedgwood, who’s kidnapped and held captive on a ship. To remain alive, Wedgwood must prepare a weekly meal for the saucy captain of a pirate ship who’s revered by her motley crew. Brown’s writing is captivating, the characters have depth, and his ship terminology left me wanting to reread the book with an illustrated nautical dictionary. I’d wager that Brown knows a thing or two about cooking, because the food writing is sublime. With few ingredients, scant supplies, and no proper stove, Wedgwood creates wonders; the part where he discovers miso will make you nod your head as your mouth waters.

— Eliza Sproat, Reference

The Silent Companions
By Laura Purcell
Elsie is newly married, widowed, and pregnant. She goes to her late husband’s country estate of The Bridge to see out her pregnancy. With the villagers scared of the house and the servants resentful to have a new mistress, Elsie’s only “friend” is her husband’s awkward cousin, Sarah.

After hearing noises coming from above in the night, Elsie and Sarah investigate to find a locked room. On the other side they find a painted wooden figure that resembles Elsie (the first of the silent companions) and an over 200-year-old diary by one of the previous occupants of The Bridge. What follows is a gothic horror mystery that unravels the truths behind the villager’s fears and the silent companions.

— Matilda Davis-Northrup, Technical Services

What Made Maddy Run
By Kate Fagan
This nonfiction title recounts the months leading up to the suicide of Collegiate Athlete Madison Holleran during her second semester at the University of Pennsylvania. Author Kate Fagan was given complete access to Maddy’s computer, phone, friends and family in an attempt to unravel the hidden truth behind what failed Maddy in her attempt to adjust to the pressures of college life as a star academic and athlete. Fagan combines thorough research with the raw truth of Maddy’s experience to give the reader a complete story of what is happening behind the scenes of a college athlete’s life today. Unfortunately, there are no clear answers given in the book; however, Fagan raises some very good questions about what can be done to ease the pressures students are facing today. What Made Maddy Run is heartbreaking book, but an excellent resource that can help parents gain some insight into the stereotypes and truths surrounding suicide.

— Beth Casement, Miller Park

The Tattooist of Auschwitz
By Heather Morris
In 1942 Lale Sokolov’s Slovakian Jewish family is given the difficult choice to send one family member to the concentration camps or they all must go - Lale volunteers, sparing his family, and soon finds himself being transported to Auschwitz-Birkenau. Lale is taken under the wing of Pepan, the Tätowierer, and is given the opportunity to work as Pepan’s apprentice, ultimately becoming the Tattooist of Auschwitz and one step further from death. Everything changes for Lale when he meets fellow prisoner, Gita, and in the brief moment of tattooing her, Lale knows that he must survive Auschwitz and marry her. Truth meets fiction in this haunting debut novel by Heather Morris, based on actual conversations with Lale Sokolov, readers will find impossible to put down.

— Nichole Napier, Adult Services
The Big Table
Wednesday, August 28

The Big Table, a project of The Columbus Foundation, is a day of community building through conversations designed to strengthen and connect communities. Upper Arlington has participated as a community for each of the past three years and will once again host a day of conversations on Wednesday, August 28 at the Amelita Mirolo Barn. Conversations will center around community issues that are important and relevant to the participants. This is a great opportunity to connect with other members of the community as well as the leaders of community organizations.

Check https://upperarlingtonoh.gov/event/the-big-table for conversation times and registration beginning on July 1. We hope to see you there!

Library at UA Farmers Market

Stop by the Upper Arlington Farmers’ Market in its new location in the Tremont Elementary parking lot from 4-7 p.m. on July 10, August 7, and August 14. Library staff will be on hand with ideas for your food purchases in books you can check out and free recipe cards from our online collection. You can also pick up a free packet of wildflower seeds.

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LIBRARY NEWS AND USEFUL INFORMATION

Mobile App

We’ve launched a new app that makes accessing your account and the library’s catalog easy wherever you are. You can search and reserve items, see a calendar of events, book a meeting room, and much more with just a few taps. You can also store a digital version of your library card. Search your app store for “Upper Arlington Library” and download it to your Apple or Android device.

Summer Library Club

Our “A Universe of Stories!” Summer Library Club continues through July 31. You can earn great coupons, a book of choice if you finish, and chances in our grand prize drawings. Prizes include COSI tickets, Kings Island tickets, UA Pool Pass for 2020, Cover to Cover gift certificate, games, Lego sets, educational toys and many more. All you need to do is read and do fun community activities. Visit www.summerlibraryclub.org for more information and additional resources. Thank you to the Friends of the Upper Arlington Public Library for sponsoring this program every year, as well as Armstrong Air & Space Museum, Chipotle, Cover to Cover, COSI, Franklin Park Conservatory, Freeze Style, Grandview Theater & Draffhouse, Half Price Books, Magic Mountain, the Ohio State Fair, UA Parks and Rec, and the Ohio Renaissance Festival.

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Summer Book Sale

The Friends of the Upper Arlington Public Library will hold its Summer Book Sale from August 11-25 in the atrium of the Main Library. You’ll find a large selection of used books, DVDs, CDs, vinyl records, magazines and more. Most books are priced from 25¢ to $2. A special members-only presale will be held on the first day, Sunday, August 11 from Noon-1 pm. On the final day of the sale, Sunday, August 25, Friends members can fill a paper grocery bag with books for just $5. Nonmember price is $10 per bag. Memberships will be sold onsite for those who would like to take advantage of these benefits but are not yet members.

Youth Healing Kits

The Main Library’s Youth Department has a new collection of Healing Kits. These boxes are designed to help an adult work through a difficult situation with a child. We currently have two options: “Alzheimer’s and Your Family” and “The Death of a Loved One.” You’ll find these kits in the parenting section of the Main Library’s Youth Department, or search our catalog for “healing library kit” (include the quotation marks). Please note that kits must be returned in person, not placed in a book drop.

Holiday Closing

UA Libraries will be closed on Thursday, July 4. Look for us in the Fourth of July Parade!
COMMUNITY CALENDAR

Concourse Gallery
M-F, 8 am-5 pm, 3600 Tremont Road
Cultural Arts Division | 614-583-5310

The Experience: Seeing Through Our Eyes
July 1-August 16
Creative Women of Color is a collective of African American women artists whose mission is to educate, encourage, inspire and provide a creative connection with the community for the purpose of advancing the arts.

“Golf (under repair)”
August 24-October 25
An exhibition of 18 sculptural reliefs inspired by golf courses, and created with unique and everyday items.

Music in the Parks
7-8:30 pm, Thursdays
Sunny 95 Park
UA Cultural Arts | 614-583-5310
July 11 Camp Jazz
July 18 Jazz in July with the Columbus Jazz Orchestra

Movie in the Park
Dusk on Fridays, unless noted otherwise
UA Parks & Recreation | 614-583-5300
Rescheduling Hotline: 614-583-5345
Thursday, July 11 Wonder (PG)
Part of Summer Celebration, Thompson Park

July 26 Singin’ in the Rain (PG)
Thompson Park
August 9 Spiderman into the Spider-Verse (PG)
Thompson Park

UA Farmers Market
4-7 pm, Wednesdays
Tremont Pool Parking Lot, 2850 Tremont Rd
UA Parks & Recreation | 614-583-5300
www.getfreshmarkets.org

Fourth of July Celebration
All day, Thursday, July 4
UA Civic Association | www.uaca.org
Start celebrating Independence Day with the 9 am Parade from Kingsdale down Northwest Blvd., then make your way to Northam Park for the evening’s events—Party in the Park and a fireworks finale.

Summer Celebration
6-9 pm, Thursday, July 11
Thompson Park
UA Parks & Recreation | 614-583-5300
Enjoy inflatable games, sack races, arts & crafts and more.

Swim Under the Stars
7-10 pm, Saturday, July 20
Reed Road Water Park
UA Parks & Recreation | 614-583-5300
Enjoy free admission to Reed Road Water Park.

Doggie Dip
Noon-3 pm, Sunday, August 18
Reed Road Water Park
UA Parks & Recreation | 614-583-5300
Each dog must have an up-to-date shot record and license. Dogs must be on a leash unless they are in the water. $5 per dog.

Golden Bear Bash
6-10 pm, Sunday, Sept. 1
Tremont Center
UA Education Foundation
www.goldenbearbash.com
Enjoy live entertainment and great food, while supporting the UA Education Foundation. Reservations required.

Labor Day Arts Festival
10 am-4 pm, Monday, Sept. 2
Northam Park
UA Cultural Arts | 614-583-5310
Enjoy inflatable games, sack races, arts & crafts and more.

Labor Neighbor Day
Monday, Sept. 2
Reed Road Park
UA Civic Association | www.uaca.org
Featuring bike races for kids up to 15 yrs. and a whiffle ball tournament. Registration begins at 8:30 am.