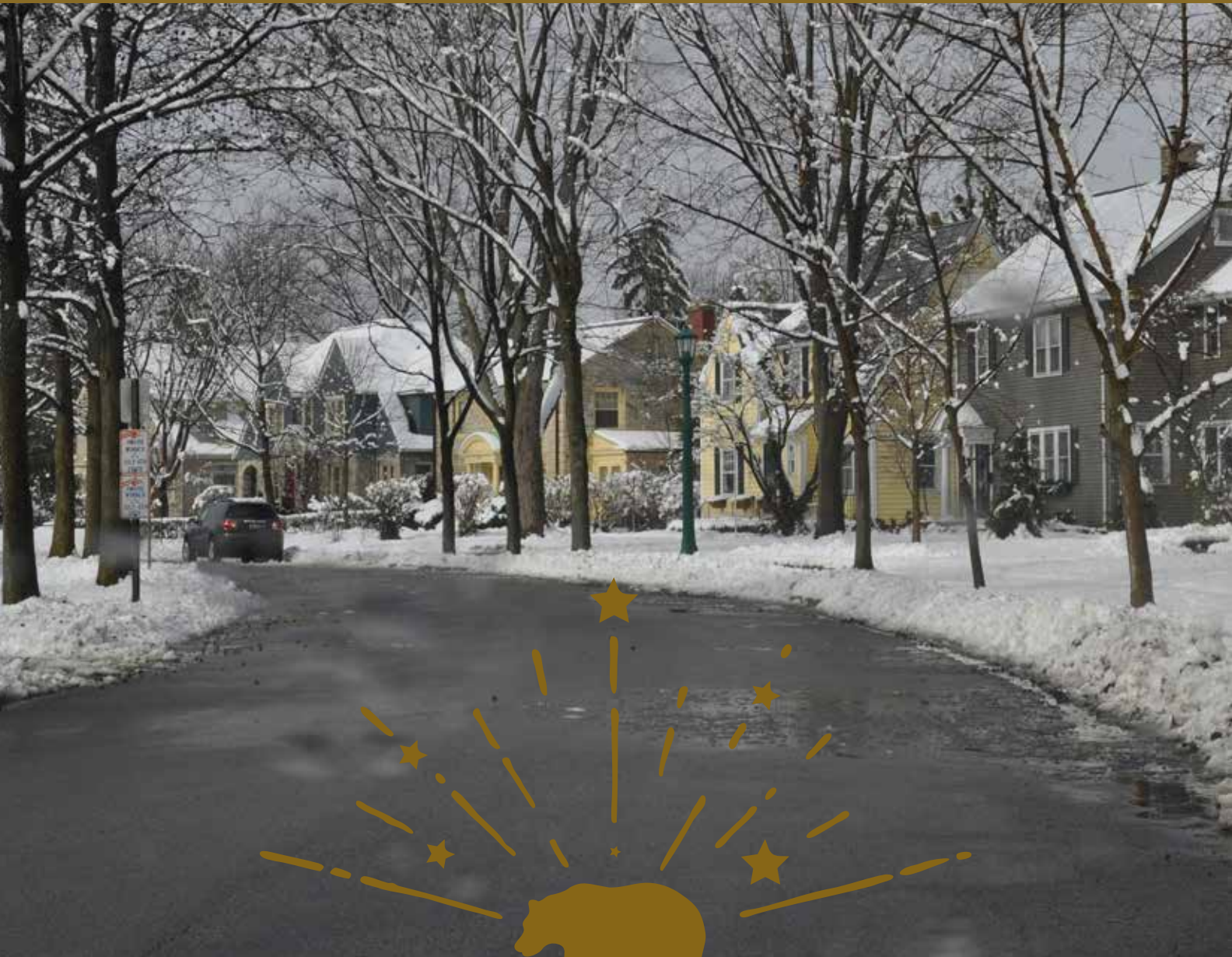


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Proposed Case Road Parkland Purchase

The City has an unprecedented opportunity to partner with the City of Columbus and Dublin City Schools to develop a multipurpose park on Case Road that would solve many of UA's field sports needs

An opportunity for the City to acquire 34 acres of land on Case Road for the development of a public park with a field sports facility is making its way through the public review process.

Opportunities for Upper Arlington to expand park acreage are limited and costly, and the parkland we have does not include enough sports fields to meet demand. Youth sports groups frequently travel elsewhere, use inadequate facilities, and some even reduce play schedules and practices due to field space limitations.

Since there is no comparable available acreage of this size in or immediately adjacent to UA, this proposal presents a rare, time-sensitive opportunity for the City to address UA's need for more sports fields.

Under the partnership proposal before Council, Columbus has already committed to purchasing the 57.7 acre parcel from OSU, which is currently in use as a sheep farm. Columbus would retain approximately eight acres for neighborhood park amenities such as a playground, walking paths, parking and the retention of an historic farmhouse. Dublin City Schools would purchase 15 acres to the east, for future use by Wright Elementary School, but to become passive greenspace in the park during the interim. Upper Arlington would purchase 34 acres for its sports field proposal, with one preliminary concept identifying space for four ball diamonds, three full-size sports fields and six smaller sports fields, as well as ample parking and storage facilities.



The rendering depicted here is considered a conversation starter for how the Case Road park could be developed. Under this scenario, the space would accommodate four ball diamonds, three large and six smaller sports fields, along with parking, restrooms and storage facilities. The path system would connect with Columbus' portion of the park, as part of plans for a cohesive space that could be enjoyed by all.

Partnerships between municipalities and other public entities are increasingly necessary and beneficial for accomplishing the public good. This partnership would:

- Preserve green space in the northwest Columbus neighborhood
- Provide a public park for use by all
- Meet the needs of UA sports groups
- Enable the City of UA to better manage its existing sports fields
- Expand opportunities for other, passive park uses in UA parks

While Upper Arlington would lead the design and development process of the City's acreage, Columbus would be a partner at all stages, along with other stakeholder

groups, so that the overall park design would be cohesive and meet the needs of various constituencies. The City is very respectful of surrounding residential neighborhoods when developing or making adjustments to public parks, and would approach this proposal in the same way.

Upon completion, the two entities would develop shared-use and maintenance agreements. Priority would be given to Upper Arlington community sports leagues, with other entities able to reserve field space based on availability.

Acquisition of the land would cost approximately \$3.1 million or \$91,228 per acre. By contrast, the cost of land

2018 Community Awards

Nominations are now being accepted!

Each January, the citizens of Upper Arlington are invited to join with City and community leaders for the annual State of the City Address, for a recap of the accomplishments from the past 12 months and a look ahead to a new year of exciting projects. As the City's Centennial Year draws to a close and our second century begins, we have much to celebrate and look forward to.

An integral part of the Address is our Community Awards program. Each year, we seek nominations of the many worthy individuals and groups that have helped make our community better in some way. Now is the time to submit your nominations for the following categories:

- **Business of the Year** – Involved in community service projects, provides financial or in-kind support for various causes, or brings other significant benefits to the community.



- **Community Enrichment** – Individual or group involved in programs to enhance the City's quality of life, in areas that include the arts, education, recreation, cultural diversity and the natural environment.

- **Community Safety** – Individual or group involved in activities to raise awareness of or improve the overall health and safety of our community.
- **Senior** – Individual actively involved in the community through volunteer service, taking a leadership or participatory role in community programs.
- **Youth Award** – Youth individual or group involved in volunteer service or community programs to benefit others and setting a positive example to fellow UA youth.

Details and nomination forms can be found at www.upperarlingtonoh.gov. The deadline is Friday, January 4, 2019.

Mark your calendars for Monday, January 28, and join us for our 2019 State of the City Address.

in UA these days can be up to \$1 million per acre, depending on location. The City would issue bonds for the purchase, made payable over 20-30 years. City Council could also direct the City to use \$450,000 from the 2016 sale of property on Upper Chelsea, which has been held for a purpose such as this. This project would not take away from other park enhancement plans already identified in the City's Capital Improvement Program.

Design and development of the park would cost approximately \$4 million, depending on the number of fields and the type of amenities included. This would likely occur over a four-year period and would be programmed within the City's 10-Year Capital Improvement Program. The City would also be proactive in its efforts to secure alternate funding, a practice that has been successful for past projects, from reconstruction of the Northam Park parking lot, to the shared use path along Fifth Avenue—both examples of recent

successful partnership projects with other entities.

The nature of real estate purchases requires a timely process and this opportunity is time sensitive, with the very real possibility that other interested parties would step forward should Upper Arlington delay a decision to proceed. To that end, City Council purposely extended the public review process to obtain as much community input as possible before making its decision:

- **August 16 Parks & Recreation Advisory Board** - presentation and discussion by the Board
- **October 1 Council Conference Session** - presentation and initial discussion by Council
- **October 8 City Council Meeting** – first reading, public discussion for proposed purchase legislation
- **October 10 Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Special Meeting** – project update, public discussion

- **October 22 City Council Meeting** – project update, public discussion
- **Monday, November 19 Council Conference Session** – the proposed legislation will receive its second reading with a public hearing, with Council expected to vote on the proposal. The meeting begins at 7:30 pm, at 3600 Tremont Road.

The City has also created an online survey to gather feedback. The survey is available through Friday, November 2, at www.upperarlingtonoh.gov.

The City encourages residents to be informed on the Case Road proposal and to share your thoughts with us, by either completing the survey or attending the November 19 public meeting. For more details, visit www.upperarlingtonoh.gov. If you have questions, please contact Parks & Recreation Director Debbie McLaughlin, at 614-583-5307 or dmclaughlin@uaoh.net.

FROM CHAMBERS

Highlights of City Council & Its Policy Decisions

Issue 34 - Proposed City Charter Amendments on November 6 Ballot

The City Charter is the most important legal document for the City, setting forth the structure, functions and essential procedures of the organization. Per a directive within the Charter itself, a review must be made at least every 10 years.

A Charter Review Commission, comprised of 10 members, met from January through early June. Suggestions from Commission members and the public determined which sections were reviewed, and public input was taken at all but the first meeting. Members of the Commission and the public were able to suggest which sections of the Charter should be reviewed by the group, instead of reviewing the entire document in depth, since it was agreed the Commission would approach its task from the perspective that relatively few changes would likely be recommended.

In June, the Commission recommended nine amendments to the Charter be put to a vote of the community at the November 6, 2018 election. Council reviewed these recommendations in July and concurred with the Commission's recommendations, with adjustments to one proposal.

- **Section II** – stating that Council may determine the effective date of any ordinance, resolution or other measure, consistent with current Council Rules;
- **Section III** – to clarify language relative to which legislative acts are subject to referendum, consistent with current Council Rules;
- **Section IV** – a recommendation to amend how a vacancy on City Council is filled, setting parameters for the appointment timeframe following a vacancy, and election requirements if the appointment is made before June 30 of the last two years of an unexpired term (the Commission had



2018 Upper Arlington City Council

Front row (from left):

Michele Hoyle, Brendan King (Vice President), Kip Greenhill (President), Carolyn Casper

Back row: Jim Lynch, Brian Close, Sue Ralph

recommended three years but Council reduced the timeframe to two years);

- **Section V** – to extend a conflict of interest provision for Council candidates and Council members, disqualifying them from eligibility to serve as City Manager, City Attorney or City Clerk for at least two years following an election or the end of their term on Council;
- **Section VIII** – to remove a specific time of day requirement on the day that Council members are sworn into office;
- **Section XI** – to remove a requirement of physically delivering written notice of special meetings to Council members' homes and permitting electronic transmittal in its place;
- **Section XI** – to authorize Council's use of Consent Agendas and to clarify the requirements for holding executive sessions, pursuant to State law and City ordinances;
- **Section XII** – to clarify the permitted interaction between Council members and City staff;
- **Section XIV** – recommending that the Clerk of Courts position be deleted as a direct report to City Council, since this position is now overseen by the City Manager.

The City thanks the following community volunteers for their time and efforts spent reviewing the City Charter: John C. Adams (Chair), Bob Dunn, Megan Heydlauff, Mary Ann Krauss, Maria Mone, Matt Petersen, Jon Secrest, Rich Simpson, Elizabeth Fenner Yassenoff and Julie Bruce Zogbaum.

Be informed on Issue 34 and the other issues and candidates on the ballot, and make your voice heard by voting on November 6. Additional information can be found at www.upperarlingtonoh.gov.

2019-2020 Budget Hearings

The fall of each even numbered year marks a busy time for the City as departments develop their proposed budgets for the next two years, under the guidance of the Finance Department. The results of that effort come before Council starting in November, with a series of public hearings that look at the difference budget components.

The proposed 2019-2020 budget would provide the resources to maintain a high level of services and continue the City's reinvestment in its 10-Year Capital Improvement Program, relative to streets, sidewalks, waterlines, sewers, parks and other public infrastructure. Looking further out, five-year projec-

Arts & Culture Master Plan Update



tions indicate that the City will have the capacity for producing structurally sound budgets, while keeping our capital plan financed and being able to explore and pursue “value added” programs and amenities to further enrich UA’s already exceptional quality of life.

This is a result of several interrelated factors that include:

- The leadership of past and present City Councils that have guided reviews, updates and adherence to a strong set of fiscal policies and financial accountability practices;
- The cumulative effect of our proactive economic development program, which is diversifying and strengthening the business community thereby growing income tax revenues for the City;
- Voter support in 2014 of an increase in the income tax rate to fund capital improvements; and
- A strong economy.

Dates for the budget hearing process are as follows:

- **Monday, November 5 Council Conference Session** – first budget discussion
- **Monday, November 19 Council Conference Session** – second budget discussion
- **Monday, December 3 Council Conference Session** – third budget discussion
- **Monday, December 10 City Council Meeting** – Council vote

All meetings begin at 7:30 pm, and are held at the Municipal Services Center, 3600 Tremont Road.

For additional details on the budget process, please contact our Finance Director, Brent Lewis, at 614-583-5288.

The arts have been alive and well in UA for 50 years, thanks to the Cultural Arts Commission and the work of staff in the Parks & Recreation Department. Art activities have happened organically over time however, and as the Parks & Recreation Department worked through its Comprehensive Plan process, it was suggested that a similar document be developed for arts and culture.

In August, City Council authorized a contract with Designing Local, Ltd. to develop an Arts and Culture Master Plan. The plan’s goal is to set the standard and strategic direction for how we plan for, implement and enjoy a full range of creative endeavors, from public art to cultural programming.

In September, residents completed a quick questionnaire about the arts and culture in UA, as the firm began a review of existing documents, programs, public art, park space and more. Included in this phase have been a series of presentations and discussions with community groups, arts volunteers, High School students and local artists.

Several new opportunities to participate in this process are on the horizon.

“Kick-off” Public Meeting

5:30-8:30 pm, Thursday, November 15

3600 Tremont Road

Residents are invited to participate in a workshop setting, to reflect on cultural arts programming and share their vision for the arts and culture with their friends and neighbors, with a loaded hot chocolate bar on hand. Kids activities will be available so that parents can attend.

Kingsdale Market District Food & Wine Fridays

6-8 pm, Friday, November 16

Join with Cultural Arts Commissioners and our consultant to enjoy a wine tasting event while also discussing the future of the arts and culture in UA.

Survey

Mid-November Through December

An in-depth survey will be available online as the year draws to a close, to further explore some of the themes emerging from the initial review phase.

In the New Year, watch for updates on this exciting process, including a second phase of community engagement to share study findings and obtain additional input from residents.

Full details of the Arts and Culture Master Plan process can be found at www.upperarlingtonoh.gov.

Leaf Collection

Public Works Division614-583-5350
www.upperarlingtonoh.gov

The City is providing free leaf collection services beginning the week of October 29 through the week of December 3, weather permitting. Residents are advised to stop raking leaves to the curb at least one week before the program ends.

A Leaf Collection Tracking Map is available at www.upperarlingtonoh.gov, providing residents a means to anticipate when collection crews are likely to be on their street.

Please follow these guidelines:

- Place loose-raked leaves close to the edge of the street in the tree lawn, not in the street.
- Leaf piles should not exceed four feet in width and be no further than two feet behind the curb.
- Don't put rocks, sticks or objects in leaf piles.
- Keep piles away from signposts, light poles, trees and mail boxes.
- Do not block storm sewers as this can increase the chance of flooding in the event of a heavy rain.
- Parked vehicles should be at least eight feet away from either side of leaf piles so that collection crews have safe access to the leaves with their truck and leaf machine.
- When the leaf collection program is not in effect, place leaves in approved biodegradable bags or containers marked for yard waste, and place at the curb for collection on your regular Solid Waste collection day. "Yard Waste" decals are available at the Municipal Services Center and UA libraries.

First 2019 Utility Invoice

The first of two semi-annual utility invoices from the City will be in the mail to UA households early in the New Year. These invoices include the Solid Waste fee, the Stormwater Utility fee, and in some cases a Neighborhood Lighting Utility fee.

Watch for additional details from the City as the date approaches, including updates on the following components for the City's Solid Waste Program:

- The deadline for qualifying for a medical exemption for 2019
- Renewing premium service
- Requirements for qualifying for a senior discount for households in which the property owner is aged 60 years or above.

City's Search for New Police Chief

With the retirement of Tracy Hahn as the City's Police Chief in September, the task of selecting a new Chief is in progress. Lieutenant Jon Wilhelm is serving as Interim Police Chief, keeping the division and our community in good hands.

As sometimes occurs within an organization, the Police Division has recently experienced significant staffing changes, with several senior level retirements and many new officers hired. The division's current makeup led the City Manager to conclude that, in addition to opening this opportunity to existing members of our Police Division, it would be prudent to conduct a broader search.

The Novak Consulting Group has been hired to lead this search on the City's behalf, to make sure we attract the very best candidates for this critical public position. In recent weeks, members of the Police Division and residents were encouraged to provide their thoughts about the ideal skills and attributes the City should seek in the next Police Chief. Concurrently the consultant has put out a nationwide call seeking qualified candidates.

It is hoped that the process will conclude successfully by year's end, with news of a new Upper Arlington Police Chief shared with the community early in the New Year.

CoGo Bike Stations Now in UA



COGO bike sharing stations can now be found at the following locations:

- Kingsdale, at the corner of Zollinger Road and Northwest Boulevard
- Lane Avenue, in front of La Chatelaine
- Tremont Road, by the Chef-O-Nette on Tremont Road
- The Mallway, near Arlington Avenue and North Mallway
- North Star Road and Northwest Boulevard

COGO is a bike system that provides 24/7 access to bicycles without the hassle of maintenance or storage. For a list of other locations in Central Ohio and to learn more about COGO, visit www.cogobikeshare.com.



CITY MANAGER UPDATE

Theodore J. Staton

Parks & Recreation Comprehensive Plan Process Nears End

The Parks & Recreation Comprehensive Plan review and planning process is a vital step in guiding future decision-making on how to get the most value from our limited parks and the facilities within them, while fulfilling the recreational wants and needs of the community.

The work of PROS Consulting has included extensive resident input and a detailed study of existing conditions, combined with comparisons with other communities and industry trends.

Community Engagement Process

Opportunities to participate and the response from residents was impressive.

- Over 300 residents participated in stakeholder interviews, focus groups and a community meeting. This included representatives from field sports organizations, the Senior Advisory Council, Cultural Arts Commission, Northam Tennis Advisory Committee, Tree Commission, Parks & Recreation Advisory Board, City Council, and various other public entities and civic groups.
- A questionnaire was completed by 885 residents.
- A statistically-valid survey conducted early in 2018 garnered 653 responses.
- An online version of the survey open to all was completed by 721 people.
- Youth focus groups were attended by 168 students.

Review of Draft Report

A draft report summarizing the entire process, findings and recommendations is now ready for review and final feedback.

A series of public meetings are scheduled, per the following:

- **Parks & Recreation Advisory Board Meeting—Presentation of Plan:** 6:30 pm, Tuesday, October 30. Public comments will be accepted.
- **Council Conference Session—Presentation of Plan:** 7:30 pm, Monday, November 5
- **Public Meeting:** 6:30 pm, Thursday, November 8. A presentation of the findings and recommendations will include opportunity for residents to provide feedback. Children's activities will be provided so that families can attend.
- **Telephone Town Hall:** 7 pm, Wednesday, November 14 – UA households will receive a phone call inviting them to listen in on a presentation and to participate in a Q&A session about the plan recommendations.
- **Council Conference Session Discussion:** 7:30 pm, Monday, November 19. Public comments will be accepted.
- **City Council Meeting & Vote on Plan:** 7:30 pm, Tuesday, November 26. Public comments will be accepted.

All meetings will be held at the Municipal Services Center, 3600 Tremont Road.

For additional details on the Parks & Recreation Comprehensive Plan process, visit www.upperarlingtonoh.gov, or call the Parks & Recreation Department, at 614-583-5300.

Eagle Scout Raises Funds for a U.S. Flag Retirement Box



UA now has a U.S. Flag Retirement Box at the Municipal Services Center, thanks to local Eagle Scout, Joseph Piccininni, along with a brochure detailing the flag's history and etiquettes for its use and proper retirement.

The U.S. flag's history and proper etiquette are sometimes misunderstood or not practiced. Joseph wanted to help raise awareness to these issues. He put together a plan that would allow him to purchase a U.S. Flag collection box for his Eagle Scout Service Project.

Through a car wash and private donations, Joseph raised the funding needed. In early August, Joseph led a group of Boy Scouts in a public flag retirement ceremony at the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post 4931. They retired 12 worn U.S. flags by fire and were assisted by three VFW volunteers. Most of the flags retired that day had been collected at the car wash earlier in the summer.

Joseph also worked with fellow Scouts to write brochures about U.S. flag history, etiquette and proper retirement in order to provide information and resources for people who want to learn more.

The City thanks Joseph for this impressive display of community service.

UA Achieves Sustainability 2050 Platinum Status

The Mid-Ohio Regional Planning Commission (MORPC) recently certified five local governments as the first set of Sustainable2050 communities to achieve an elevated status for their actions to promote sustainability. We are proud to announce that not only is Upper Arlington among those five, we are one of two cities to achieve Platinum Status, the highest possible level.

Sustainable2050 is a program that supports communities' sustainability efforts through direct technical assistance, collaboration, and recognition. Each

member's tier status is determined by the number of eligible activities it carries out in five categories corresponding to MORPC's Regional Sustainability Agenda.

The City completed 43 eligible activities across five categories, achieving the Platinum designation. Highlights from Upper Arlington include:

- A commitment to reducing the number of vehicle miles traveled, in part through the Complete Streets policy, in place since 2014. UA is one of a handful of Central Ohio communities to have adopted such a policy.
- A zoning code and master plan that focus on infill opportunities.
- Promoting the Green Spot program, to increase the number of businesses and homes that adopt sustainability practices
- A commitment to Sustainable Neighborhoods by prioritizing the number of people and jobs it serves through its bike and pedestrian infrastructure. The City's bikeways continue to expand, removing bike and pedestrian network gaps within the community.

Centennial Updates

For a volunteer task force that spent four years making plans for Upper Arlington's Centennial year celebrations, it's hard to believe that 2018 almost over. But what a year it's been! To the many volunteers, civic groups, businesses and schools that helped make 2018 a year to remember—THANK YOU! Please join us at the 2019 State of the City Address on Monday, January 28, for a recap of the year and to be part of our final Centennial celebration.

Centennial Time Capsule

www.uaoh100.org

No Centennial is complete without a time capsule to commemorate the year's celebrations for a future generation to discover. We already have plans to include a copy of the *Centennial Magazine* and the new history book, along with event photographs and news stories from 2018, but we also are seeking ideas and contributions from the community.



What do you think should go in the time capsule that best captures Upper Arlington in 2018? We want to hear from you! Send your suggestions to Jared Nyhart, in the City Manager's Office, at jnyhart@uaoh.net by Friday, November 30.

In the month of December, we will be asking the community to review the list of ideas that have been received and to vote for their top five via an online survey. Then, we hope you can join us for the 2019 State of the City Address on Monday, January 28, at which time the winning items will be announced and placed in the time capsule, before it is sealed and placed on display at the Municipal Services Center.

Centennial Merchandise



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The Centennial Merchandise store will open for one last time before the end of the year, just in time for the holidays. Look for a variety of cold weather items including pajama pants, sweatpants, sweatshirts, vests, quarter & half-zip pullovers and more. The store is open November 1-19 to ensure delivery before the holidays.

Available at www.uaoh100.org

2018 Police Survey

November 5–30

www.upperarlingtonoh.gov

The City of Upper Arlington Police Division goes above and beyond in its efforts to serve our community. The dedication of our peace officers to our safety and wellbeing is apparent every day. But with various law enforcement issues ever present in the national spotlight, the division continually seeks resident opinions on performance and overall satisfaction with safety services. In this light, it is again time to conduct the Police Community Survey, a process that is conducted every three years.

We know that excellent police services are an important part of why people choose to live in Upper Arlington—recent surveys have found that a large majority of respondents agree or strongly agree with that statement. Additionally, an overwhelming majority of survey respondents state that they feel safe in Upper Arlington overall.

The City wants its Police Division to not only be effective and efficient, but also friendly and available to residents, and the best way to understand which safety issues concern residents is to hear from you directly.

By completing the 2018 Police Community Survey, you will help ensure that the Police Division can continue to serve their residents to the highest possible standard and be responsive to emerging trends and community concerns.

The 2018 Police Community Survey, will be available online from November 5 through 30, at www.upperarlingtonoh.gov. If you would prefer a hard copy, please call the City Manager's Office, at 614-583-5040. We thank you in advance for your participation, so that the Upper Arlington Police Division can continue to meet the safety needs of our community in a responsive and timely fashion.

Westover Park Playground Replacement



The existing Westover Park playground is now the grandfather of playgrounds in UA, at the grand old age of 17-plus years. Typically, a playground's useful life is between 15-20 years, depending on how its been used over the years. A close look at the Westover equipment brings into focus that it's time for replacement. This project was approved by City Council in September, and work is scheduled to begin early November. The new playground will include swings, motion play equipment, a rubberized play surface and multiple accessible features.

Veterans Plaza Update

For approximately two years, a group of residents—including several veterans of the armed services—have been collaborating to enhance the Veterans Plaza at Mallway Park, to create an inviting and attractive place for reflection and appreciation of the men and women who have served their country. Upon completion, the enhanced Veterans Plaza will be re-dedicated and gifted to the community. Landscape architecture firm, POD design, has been secured to develop concepts for the park enhancements.

A first round of conceptual designs were shared early in 2018. Based on community input, the group decided some modifications to the plan would be necessary. A second round of concepts were shared with Mallway businesses, neighboring residents and the broader community for their review and input in August.

The proposal is now scheduled to go before City Council at the December 3 Council Conference Session. The meeting begins at 7:30 pm at 3600 Tremont Road.



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CITY NEWS AND USEFUL INFORMATION FOR RESIDENTS

Public Holidays

City offices are closed in observance of the following holidays:

- **Monday, November 12** – Veterans Day. Solid Waste services are not affected by this holiday.
- **Thursday, November 22** – Thanksgiving. Thursday's Solid Waste collection zone will receive service on Friday, November 23.
- **Tuesday, December 25** – Christmas Day. Solid Waste service is delayed by one day for the Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday collection zones.
- **Tuesday, January 1, 2019** – New Year's Day. Solid Waste service is delayed by one day for the Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday collection zones.

City INSIGHT eNews

CITY MANAGER'S OFFICE 614-583-5040

Get updates from the City, with information similar to what you find in this newsletter sent directly to your inbox. To register to receive our twice monthly e-newsletter, go to www.upperarlingtonoh.gov.

Senior Center Luncheons

SENIOR CENTER 614-583-5320

The folks at the UA Senior Center invite you to join them for their monthly luncheons, which begin at 11:30 am:

- **Tuesday, November 13** – don't miss the annual Thanksgiving Meal & Veteran Recognition. Cost \$10/\$7 for Veterans, by November 9.
- **Tuesday, December 11** – this year's Holiday Meal features American Classics, performed by Scott Brooks. Cost \$10 by December 7.
- **Thursday, December 27** – celebrate the New Year with Bingo, pizza and a movie. Cost \$6 by December 26.

Lane Avenue Parking Reminder

POLICE DIVISION 614-583-5150

The City wishes to remind residents and patrons of businesses along Lane Avenue

of evening rush hour parking restrictions. From 4-6 pm weekdays, parking is not permitted on the north side of Lane Avenue. Plenty of public parking is available behind The Lane (Hudson 29, etc.), and we strongly encourage you to take advantage of this to avoid being ticketed or towed.

Recycle Election Yard Signs

CODE COMPLIANCE 614-583-5070

Immediately following the November 6 election, the City's Code Compliance Division facilitates the recycling of old political signs in partnership with SWACO. If you bring your yard signs to the Municipal Services Center by 5 pm, Friday, November 9, our Code Compliance Division will take care of this on your behalf. Just drop signs off at the back bay by the Police entrance to the Municipal Services Center, 3600 Tremont Road. Staff will drop them off at the Bill McDonald Athletic Complex (4990 Olentangy River Road) during SWACO's Saturday, November 10 collection, which runs from 8 a.m.-Noon. If you miss the City deadline, you can always head to the collection location the morning of the event.

Firefighters for Kids Toy Drive

9 am-4 pm, Saturday, December 15

Station 72, Reed Road

FIRE

614-583-5100

Help the UA Fire Division make the Christmas holidays memorable for Central Ohio kids in need, by dropping of new toys at Station 72 on Saturday, December 15.

New Location for Winter

Break Day Camp

PARKS & RECREATION 614-583-5300

This year's Winter Day Camp will be held at Tremont Elementary School to better accommodate a combination of indoor and outdoor activities for children ages six-12 years. Camp dates are December 21, 27, 28, 31, and January 2, 3 and 4. The cost is \$37 per day for residents. Camp fills quickly, so register early at parks.uaoh.net.

Public Meetings

CITY CLERK'S OFFICE 614-583-5030

A full list of upcoming public meetings of City Council and its various Boards and Commissions can be found under the Event Calendar, at www.upperarlingtonoh.gov.

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



The Wyandot Park/Master Drive shared-use path was completed this fall, connecting McCoy Road to the park, and providing UA pedestrians and cyclists a safe and convenient means to access Columbus' park and pathways on the east side of the Scioto River.



For many generations of participants, when they think of youth sports they think of John Petro. In front of a packed Council Chamber, Mr. Petro (pictured with Council President Kip Greenhill) was recognized by City Council on October 8 for his 40-plus years of service to the youth of Upper Arlington. This follows Council's recent approval of the Petro Plaza at Northam Park, a new park entry feature along Northam Road—to be installed in 2019—that will serve to recognize qualifying youth sports volunteers. *Photo by Pastor Aaron Layne, Advent Lutheran Church.*

Sunday Swim at UA High School PARKS & RECREATION 614-583-5300

Sunday Swim provides a weekly opportunity for families to enjoy the High School's indoor aquatics facility, held most Sundays through May 5, 2019, from 1-3 pm. The cost per visit is \$3 for a resident or \$20 for a season pass (\$40 for a resident household).

2019 Community Calendar www.upperarlingtonoh.gov

As a service to the community, each year the City provides an online Community Calendar of special events on its website. These event listings are oftentimes promoted by the City via other means, such as social media and City newsletters, as space and scheduling permits. Now is the time to send us details of qualifying community events. Visit the events section of our website, at www.upperarlingtonoh.gov, where you will find submission details and an online submission form.

Snow Angels COMMISSION ON AGING 614-583-5123

Each winter, the UA Commission on Aging and STAY UA partner on the Snow Angels volunteer program, matching volunteers

to elderly neighbors who need help with snow shoveling. We encourage individuals, families and/or groups of neighbors to "adopt" a senior during the season and help them with this winter chore.

UA Labor Day Arts Festival Coordinating Committee CULTURAL ARTS 614-583-5310

Be a part of the art and join our Coordinating Committee. The group begins monthly meetings in February and organizes everything from jurying artists to booking bands. The Coordinating Committee also selects the refreshment vendors, the art activities and works with Staff to make sure everything runs smoothly during the event. For more information, contact Lynette Santoro-Au, at 614-583-5312 or lsantoroau@uaoh.net.

2019 Wall of Honor Call For Nominations

www.uahistory.org

Each year, a new bronze plaque is added to the limestone wall of the Municipal Services Center Plaza to honor a deceased UA resident who had a positive impact on the community and beyond through his or her professional, philanthropic, volunteer

or public service. Nominations are being accepted for the 2019 Wall of Honor inductee, a partnership of the UA Historical Society and the City's Parks & Recreation Department. Nomination forms are available at www.uahistory.org. The deadline is Friday, January 11, 2019. The 2019 induction ceremony is scheduled for Sunday, May 19.

Watch Out for Joggers

POLICE DIVISION 614-583-5100

The City periodically hears from resident joggers about unsafe driving practices by motorists, such as failing to come to a complete stop at stop signs, or pulling out when a pedestrian is in an intersection. We urge all motorists to drive safely at all times—put away the cell phones or other distractions and follow the rules of the road. During the winter months, joggers often have no choice but to be out during dusk or dark, so please be extra cautious.

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.

RITA Income Tax Updates

www.ritaohio.com

In November, the Regional Income Tax Agency (RITA) will be sending notices to any UA residents that have failed to file any previous tax years and are now subject to penalties and interest. Residents who receive this notice may submit their filing information to RITA or to the Finance Department, at 3600 Tremont Road.

Beginning October 1, 2018, taxpayers who pay municipal income taxes by credit or debit card will incur a 2.75% service charge. The fee is charged by a third party vendor and is not paid to RITA or member municipalities. Service fees are not incurred for payment by check or via the Automated Clearing House (ACH).

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A BI-MONTHLY PUBLICATION FROM THE UPPER ARLINGTON SCHOOLS



Innovative Learning Opportunities Preparing UA Schools Students For Success

Students at Upper Arlington High School and Hastings and Jones middle schools are being exposed to new, innovative learning opportunities that are helping them develop the skills needed today for academic and professional success.

At the high school, students are bringing ideas to light and building relationships with community leaders through Idea Seminar, a new, semester-long class that takes a fresh, interactive approach to public speaking.

At the middle schools, students are exploring all the possibilities of new "iSpaces." These digital media hubs in the Hastings and Jones learning centers provide the equipment and the physical space for teachers to enhance curricular studies and students to create their own learning opportunities.

"Our district has a history of being on the leading edge of new instructional techniques," said Superintendent Paul Imhoff, Ed.D. "It's exciting to watch that play out in real time with these two projects."

Middle School iSpaces

Middle school media specialists Kerri Schill at Hastings and Michelle Lombardi at Jones imagined the iSpaces as "the design of place and space to empower students to learn, work, play, create and connect more richly." The Upper Arlington Education Foundation and the school PTOs, with support from the district's Teaching & Learning and Technology departments, provided funding for the iSpaces and related enhancements to the learning centers.



Students and staff now have at their fingertips in the learning centers technology ranging from green screens and Padcasters to sound mixers and guitar microphones to Sphero robots and virtual-reality headsets. Schill and Lombardi have both been working with students and staff to explore the new equipment and integrate it into the curriculum.

For example, Lombardi said, "Reading classes have expressed interest in using the recording equipment to create book trailers, global language classes can take virtual trips to different countries using the virtual reality headsets, and math and science classes can practice coding skills with the Sphero robots."

Schill believes these iSpaces will soon serve as an essential academic bridge between the redesigned elementary schools and the new high school.

"The ultimate goal of iSpaces," she said, "is to revolutionize teaching and learning at both middle schools so that our students are self-directed, innovative and better prepared to

actively participate in their future endeavors."

Idea Seminar

Idea Seminar, a prototype course that is the vision of Research & Design Lab Instructional Leader Laura Moore, meets all the standards of a public speaking course but doesn't adhere to the same structure.

"My course is anchored in real-world engagement," Moore said. "Instead of allowing students to choose different topics and give a speech to their peers in class, they have chosen issues within the school or community and they give speeches to stakeholders."

This semester, the classwork has largely been inspired by the Big Table, a Columbus Foundation event that aims to promote community conversations by bringing together stakeholders at locations around the Columbus area.

Since they attended the Big Table event in Upper Arlington in September,

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SUPERINTENDENT UPDATES

Paul Imhoff, Ed.D.

Milestones Reflect Districtwide Commitment to Service Learning

As we mark the beginning of an exciting second century in our school district, it is fitting that two of our schools recently celebrated milestones of their own that reflect our district's great tradition of service-learning. That tradition spans all of our schools, from Burbank Early Childhood School to Upper Arlington High School, and stretches back to the very beginning of Upper Arlington Schools more than 100 years ago.

This fall, Hastings and Jones middle schools marked the 10th anniversaries of their biggest service-learning events of the school year.

These two schools have long been committed to service learning. During their time at the middle schools, Upper Arlington students benefit from many engaging real-world service experiences that are directly tied into the classroom curriculum.

But back in 2008, teachers from Hastings and Jones who were attending a local service-learning event imagined something bigger for their schools — a half-day or day-long schoolwide service-learning experience.

"A service learning day like this hadn't been done to our knowledge at that

point, at that scale," Hastings Principal Robb Gonda recalled.

That idea led to the beginning of HOP Day at Hastings and the Service Learning Kickoff event at Jones 10 years ago.

Thanks to the vision and hard work of our staff, students at both schools now spend an entire day diving into service - working directly with community organizations to explore ideas for projects that will be meaningful work in our community and beyond.

On August 31, students and staff members spread out to serve the greater Columbus community for HOP (Hastings Outreach Program) Day. They pulled weeds and invasive species in area Metro parks, worked at senior centers and LifeCare Alliance and collected non-perishable items from Hastings neighbors for Mid-Ohio Foodbank.

In 10 years, HOP Day participants, both students and staff, have logged an incredible 40,000-plus hours of community service, and that is just the start of their service-learning work for the year.

On September 14, Jones students and staff kicked off service-learning for the school year with the traditional "can roll" for Heart to Heart food pantry and

a focus of "Celebrating Our Differences With A Culture of Kindness." The day was filled with speakers and activities relating to veterans, the elderly and hunger—the three main focus areas for each grade level at Jones.

Two teachers who also serve as co-chairs for these service-learning events see the lasting impression these experiences have on the young students.

HOP Day gives students at Hastings the "confidence and knowledge of ways that they can continue to serve throughout the year," co-chair Brooke Dionisio shared.

Jones Service-Learning Kickoff Day co-chair Molly Miely added: "Over the years, students have returned to Jones as high school and college students and shared that they are still involved in service and service-learning."

Ten years on, HOP Day at Hastings and the kickoff day at Jones are continuing to drive service-learning for our middle school students throughout the school year. These events, and the great service-learning work happening in all of our schools, demonstrate our district's vision and what it means to be uniquely accomplished students prepared to SERVE, LEAD and SUCCEED.

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students have made presentations to and conducted focus groups with representatives from the major community groups in Upper Arlington including the Board of Education, the City of Upper Arlington and the Upper Arlington Public Library.

"This class is incredible," said Upper Arlington High School junior Gabrielle

Shell, one of 20 students taking Idea Seminar this semester. "It not only works on public speaking skills, but it helps students learn to use their voices and effectively start, plan and launch projects from the ground up."

Moore believes this is just the beginning for the high school looking at

how to present the curriculum in ways that drive student engagement.

"I hope it will inspire us as a school community to imagine how we can thread our curriculum through different lenses," Moore said. "I think there are a thousand ways to approach content, and I hope this course is just the start."

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SCHOOLS NEWS AND USEFUL INFORMATION FOR RESIDENTS



UAHS Athletic Hall Of Fame To Welcome 8 Inductees

The Upper Arlington High School Athletic Hall of Fame, in its third year, will welcome six former student-athletes and two retired coaches who have made outstanding contributions to the impressive history of the school's athletic program.

Based on nominations submitted by community members, alumni and staff, the following inductees were selected by a committee of former student athletes, community members, coaches and high-school and district administrators:

- **Dudley Beaver**, a retired coach who won the 1988 Division I state championship in girls basketball
- **Denny Dicke** (Class of 1969), a five-time state champion athlete in football and track
- **Elaine Ferritto** (Class of 2003), a two-time state champion swimmer
- **Dick Fryman**, a retired UAHS athletic director and longtime coach who won 18 state championships in 20 years in tennis
- **Terry Gilmore** (Class of 1975), the leading scorer in the inaugural years of the high school's legendary lacrosse program
- **Doug Goodsell** (Class of 1951), the high school's first All-American athlete in football
- **Abby Johnston** (Class of 2008), a two-time state champion diver who went on to be an Olympic silver medalist
- **Fred "Curly" Morrison** (Class of 1945), a leading scorer for the UAHS football team who went on to play for The Ohio State University, the Chicago Bears and the Cleveland Browns.

The inductees, or family members representing them, will be introduced between the girls varsity basketball



game and boys varsity basketball games against Marysville on January 4. The girls basketball game begins at 6 pm. A reception open to the public in the first floor of the Learning Center at Upper High School will precede the game at 5 pm.

For more information on the inductees and the events in January, please visit www.uaschools.org/uahsathletics.

10 UA Students Named National Merit Semifinalists

Ten Upper Arlington students have qualified as Semifinalists in the 64th annual National Merit Scholarship Program, giving them a chance to compete for approximately 7,500 scholarships worth more than \$31 million.

Congratulations to:

- **Oscar Coppola**
- **Angela Li**
- **Lancelot Li**
- **Nicholas Liakos**
- **Kyle MacLaughlin**
- **Andrew Mastruserio**
- **Zain Padamese**
- **Matthew Shepherd**
- **Sifei Yang**
- **Katie Zhao**

These students are among approximately 1.6 million high school students across the country that entered the National Merit Scholarship Program by

taking the Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test (PSAT/NMSQT). Of those entrants, approximately 16,000 high scorers—or the top one percent—qualify as Semifinalists.

Socktober Service-Learning Project Returns

Socktober and funky socks were back in October at the High School, with the goal of selling enough packs of socks to provide a clean water source and hygiene products and education for a school in Uganda.

The service-learning project again partners students in two International Baccalaureate classes with We Help Two, a global organization that aims to help both developing countries as well as local organizations. For every pack of socks sold, one pair of warm socks will go to a local organization.

Last year, Socktober had a different focus and funded prosthetics for 10 amputees who could not afford them.

"Having those prosthetics allowed those people to attend school, work to provide for their families, or even complete day-to-day tasks that would otherwise be extremely difficult for them," said Eva Frustaci, one of the two IB teachers facilitating the project again this year.

Students Make Difference With 'Trash Less' Initiative

A group of about 13 students is helping to make Upper Arlington High School "greener" during the school day by serving as a recycling hub and manager for the school.

On Trash Less Thursdays, every week, students work with team leader Kim Wilson, an intervention specialist at the high school, and other staff members at a table in the cafeteria to sort recyclables, compost food waste and save unopened foods and untouched fruits for the nurse's office. The students have also placed recycling containers throughout the school to promote recycling anywhere at anytime, and they go through the school on a regular basis to collect the recyclables.

The Trash Less Thursdays initiative was inspired last year by the Teen Eco Summit at the Columbus Zoo and Aquarium. A grant from the Columbus Zoo funded two compost tumblers for the project and t-shirts for the students working at the table.

"It has developed into a job site where students are learning job skills that they can bring with them when they graduate," Wilson said. "They work on sorting, communication, janitorial skills, following written directions, following verbal directions, among countless other skills. The biggest bonus is having my students out in the building making a difference!"



Treasurer's Notes

Andrew L. Geistfeld

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

The new five-year forecast anticipates two major impacts on district finances: enrollment growth and school safety.

Many residents are surprised to learn that our landlocked school district has been growing for the past decade and



is continuing to grow. Based on enrollment projections last updated in the fall of 2017, enrollment districtwide is expected to grow to more than 7,200 students by 2027-2028—a 21 percent increase since the 2007-2008 school year.

This annual, third-party projection report will be updated later this fall, and the district will continue to closely monitor enrollment growth to carefully plan for its financial effects.

Another future need that will affect our five-year financial forecast is school

safety. The safety of our students and staff is a top priority for the district. We are taking additional steps to improve the safety of all of our school buildings based on the recommendations that were approved by the Board of Education during the summer. As the district implements those changes, I will be working closely with other administrators to carefully plan for the financial effects of the related expenditures.

To read the new five-year financial forecast, visit www.uaschools.org/treasurer.aspx. If you have any questions, please contact me at treasurer@uaschools.org or 614-487-5000.

2018-19 KEY SCHOOL DATES

End of First Trimester (K-5)

Monday, November 5

No School for Students (Voting Day)

Tuesday, November 6

Thanksgiving Break

Wednesday, November 21 - Friday, November 23

End of the Second Quarter and First Semester (Grades 6-12)

Thursday, December 20

No School for Students

Friday, December 21

Winter Break

Monday, December 24 - Friday, January 4, 2019

No School for Students and Staff

Monday, January 21 (Martin Luther King Day)

Elementary Parent-Teacher Conferences

Wednesday, January 30

Grades 1-5: dismissal at 11:05 am; no kindergarten classes all day

SERVE LEAD SUCCEED... SERVE LEAD SUCCEED



Nine Upper Arlington High School students (one not pictured) have been selected as members of the 2018 Ohio Music Education Association's South-Central All-Region Orchestra. Four of these students have also been chosen to perform in the prestigious All-State Orchestra.



The C-SPAN bus stopped outside Jones Middle School on its tour of the 50 state capitals. Sixth-grade American History classes from Jones were able to explore the bus and learn more about the resources available for students and educators.



First-grade students at Greensview Elementary School took a walking field trip to Arlington Court Skilled Nursing & Rehab Center, part of an annual service-learning partnership. Students and residents played games, colored and sang together as they got to know one another.



'Windermere Wings'

A schoolwide art project at Windermere Elementary School is serving as a vibrant reminder of both individuality and community. For the project, part of Windermere's year-long exploration of the theme "What Makes You, YOU?", students in kindergarten through grade 5 created feathers reflecting themselves as individuals.

The feathers were then all pieced together to form the wings that now hang in the entryway of the building. The project, led by art teacher Megan Taylor, was inspired by artist Kelsey Montague's #WhatLiftsYou campaign.



Students at Wickliffe Progressive Elementary School supported their peers through the Buddy Walk for the Down Syndrome Association of Central Ohio and the Autism Speaks Walks. Through the sale of handmade bookmarks, slime and more, they raised more than \$600 for both events.

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Barrington Elementary School teacher Molly Hinkle guides her class in the use of new math resources for elementary students. The resources promote a deep understanding of math concepts and prepare students, kindergarten through grade 5, for success.



Nineteen Upper Arlington High School seniors have qualified as International Baccalaureate Diploma candidates for the 2018-2019 school year. The IB Diploma Programme is a rigorous, comprehensive curriculum for students in grades 11 and 12.



Kickoff to Service Learning

Students at Hastings and Jones middle schools kicked off a year of service learning with the 10th anniversaries of HOP Day at Hastings and the Service-Learning Kickoff Day at Jones. At Hastings, students worked on projects on the school grounds and throughout the Columbus area, including a new Hastings community garden (built in the shape of UA) funded by the Upper Arlington Education Foundation. In addition to a service-learning fair and activities, students at Jones focused on a theme of "Celebrating Our Differences With a Culture of Kindness" with a panel and "ball pit" talks facilitated by high school students.



Upper Arlington Schools retirees enjoyed a morning of catching up with colleagues and friends at the district's fourth annual retiree reunion event. They also enjoyed a performance of songs from "Shrek Jr.," the Jones Middle School fall production.



Author and speaker Jason Barger facilitates a leadership workshop with fifth-grade classes at Tremont Elementary School. These classes will continue to focus on leadership with similar workshops and presentations to their younger peers throughout the school year.

Facilities Update

Plans for five new or renovated elementary schools and a new high school are entering the final phase of the design process both on budget and on time, with groundbreaking slated to begin in the spring of 2019.

On October 9, the Upper Arlington Board of Education took action to move the plans for all five elementary schools into the construction documents phase of the design process. During this phase, final drawings and renderings will be prepared so that each construction project can be presented to bidders.

The design process for the new high school continues on time as well and, pending board approval, will enter the construction documents phase in the next month.

At communitywide meetings in January, residents will be able to take a look at the final designs and renderings for all six projects of the first phase of the community's master plan. The meetings will be held on Tuesday, January 22 beginning at 9 am at Mountview Christian Church and 7 pm at the high school.

Community members will also be invited to participate in exciting groundbreaking ceremonies for the first five projects: the high school and Barrington, Greensview, Tremont and Wickliffe elementary schools. A groundbreaking and construction at the Windermere Elementary site will follow



a year later. Details for these events will be forthcoming in the New Year.

Tremont Athletic Fields

Since September, high school athletes have been enjoying use of the new turf field behind Tremont Elementary School on the district-owned land adjacent to Northam Park.

"The opening of this field is an exciting first step in the implementation of the community's master plan," Chief Operating Officer Chris Potts said. "It provides much-needed athletic space for our teams, before, during and after construction on the high school site."

Work is continuing on the site to build new baseball and softball diamonds that will be home to varsity teams during construction and will become the permanent home for junior varsity and freshmen teams in the future. In addition, a storage and a restroom facility will also be constructed for the complex. The site is expected to be completed in the spring of 2019.

For a full tentative construction timeline, please visit www.uaschools.org/facilities.

THE UPPER ARLINGTON BOARD OF EDUCATION



2018 Upper Arlington Board of Education

Back row: Robin Comfort, Treasurer Andrew Geistfeld, Scott McKenzie, Superintendent Paul Imhoff

Front row: Vice President Stacey Royer, President Carol Mohr, Nancy Drees

Thanks to a partnership with the City of Upper Arlington, Board of Education meetings take place in the Council Chamber of the City's Municipal Services Center, 3600 Tremont Road. In general, the meetings begin at 6 pm on the second Tuesday of each month. Some exceptions apply, and last-minute scheduling changes are possible. Refer to www.uaschools.org

for the most up-to-date information.

Upcoming Board of Education Meetings:

- Tuesday, November, 6 pm — Council Chamber
- Tuesday, December 11, 6 pm — Council Chamber

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Authors Edith Pattou and Kate T. Parker Visit Main Library

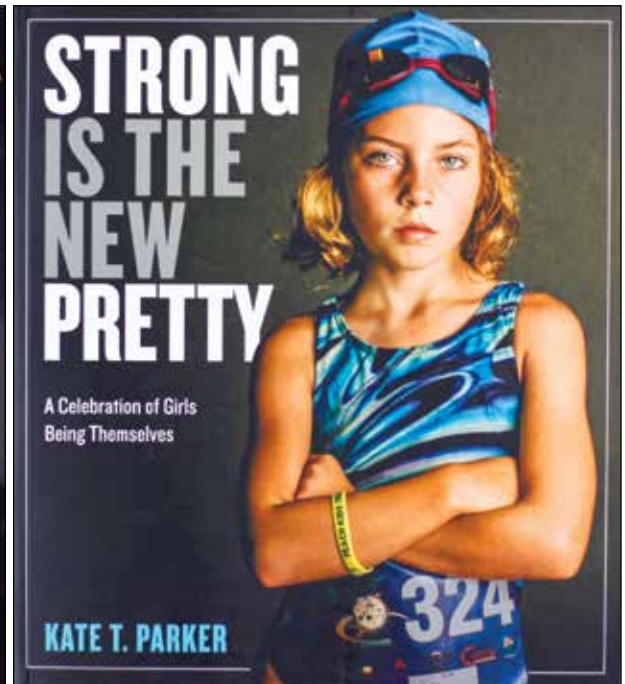
The Upper Arlington Public Library and Cover to Cover Children's Books are partnering to bring two authors to the Main Library this November.

New York Times bestselling young adult and children's author Edith Pattou visits on Thursday, November 15 at 6 pm. She is the author of many critically and popularly acclaimed novels, including *Ghosting* and the award-winning fantasy novel *East*. Her new book, *West*, will be released this fall. Ms. Pattou will give a talk, and then be available to sign books, which Cover to Cover will sell onsite. Registration opens November 1.

You can meet photographer and author Kate T. Parker on Friday, November 16 at 3:30 pm. Her *Strong is the New Pretty* series celebrates the strength and spirit of girls being themselves 100%. It was turned into a book in 2017 and

became a national bestseller. Cover to Cover Children's Books will again be onsite that day to sell copies of her work, with Ms. Parker signing books at the end. Registration opens November 2.

You can register for these talks through our online program calendar at www.ualibrary.org.



Experience the Joy of the Holidays at the Library

The winter holidays will soon be here, and the Upper Arlington Public Library offers plenty of chances for family fun.

Our 47th annual Holiday Happiness event will be held 10 am-2 pm, Saturday, December 1 at the Main Library. This UA tradition features music from UA's middle schools, festive displays, children's crafts, balloon making, face painting, and refreshments. Santa and Mrs. Claus visit from Noon-2 pm.

Young kids will love our Jingle Bell Storytimes on Tuesday, December 4,

at 10:15 am, 11:15 am, and 7 pm. Dash through the snow for this music-and-movement program with a winter theme.

The Miller Park Library hosts its annual Home for the Holidays event, from 4-6 pm, on Thursday, December 6. Festive music, a children's craft and refreshments are on the agenda, with a station for writing a letter to Santa. New this year: Santa and Mrs. Claus are on hand the entire two hours!

Lane Road Library has a Holiday Craft Palooza for kids all day Thursday, December 13.

For those too young to make it to midnight, we offer Countdown to Noon...a pre-K party to celebrate the old year and welcome the new one at a more manageable time! Come to the Main Library at 11 am, Monday, December 31 for crafts and a countdown to noon, complete with noise-makers.

For more details on these and all of our programs, see our quarterly *Library Link* publication or our online program calendar at www.ualibrary.org.

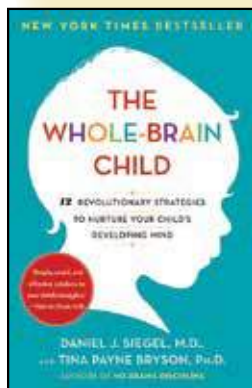
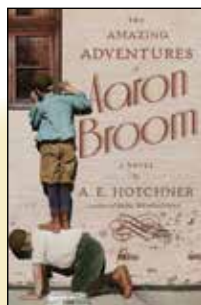
OUR STAFF RECOMMENDS

The Whole-Brain Child: 12 Revolutionary Strategies to Nurture Your Child's Developing Mind

By Daniel J. Siegel

Ever wonder why a three-year old is giggling one moment and in a meltdown the next? Or a middle-schooler suddenly no longer wants to swim when it's been their favorite sport for years? Dr. Siegel explains the wiring of a child's brain and how it changes and matures. He also provides some pointers on interacting with that wiring. Great and easy read for parents and grandparents alike!

— Donna Casteel, Lane Road Library



Sunburn

By Laura Lippman

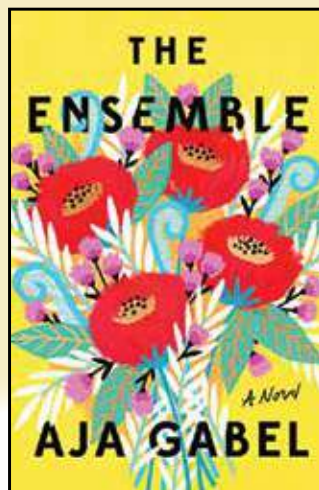
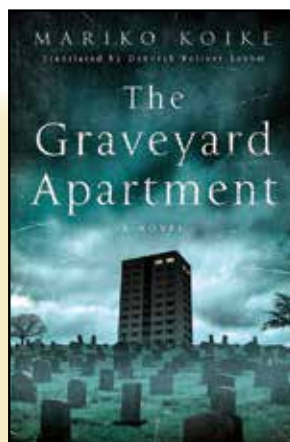
This is a game of cat and mouse full of dark secrets, betrayals and a passionate love between two people who know and understand that neither are what they seem. Polly has walked away from her husband and child. Adam has been hired to find her but by someone other than her husband. They meet in a small town and gradually fall for each other even though they know that they are both holding on to secrets and lies that could destroy their lives.

— Melanie Stanley, Adult Services

The History of Wolves

By Emily Fridlund

In secluded northern Minnesota, 14-year-old Madeline lives with her elderly parents, and has become accustomed to isolation. When the Gardner family moves in nearby, Madeline finds purpose and comfort in babysitting their young son, until the secrets of their lives begin to



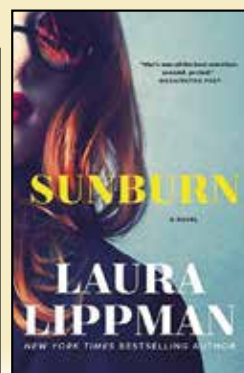
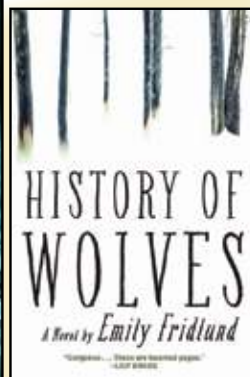
affect her in ways she couldn't have imagined. For the first time in her life, the choices Madeline makes threaten to have consequences stretching far beyond herself.

— Morgan Peters, Miller Park Library

The Ensemble

By Aja Gabel

This remarkable debut introduces us to Jana, Henry, Brit and Daniel. We meet them during their Conservatory years, where they form the Van Ness Quartet, and follow right along with the twists, turns and movements of their classical music careers. With



beautiful imagery, and well developed characters, this is an excellent book to lose yourself in.

— Katy Hite, Media Services

The Graveyard Apartment

By Mariko Koike

Set in Tokyo, this book tells of a young family moving into a new apartment

building in a developing area at an unexpectedly affordable price. Although the building is surrounded by a graveyard, a crematorium, and a Buddhist temple, the Kano family decides the well-appointed unit is a perfect fit. When unexplainable phenomena and general spooky hijinks ensue, the family tries to

reject their superstitions and figure out the nature of the disturbances. Properly scary, solid psychological horror and suspenseful thriller of the "don't look in the basement" variety.

— Misty Alvaro, Technical Services

The Amazing Adventures of Aaron Broom

By A.E. Hotchner

In Depression era St. Louis, no one believes street-savvy 12-year-old Aaron after he witnesses a robbery gone wrong. He teams up with an unlikely band of friends and helpful adults to clear suspicion from his father's name. A smart, resourceful hero overcomes adversity in a setting full of great historical detail.

— Susan Sturgill, Lane Road Library

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Program Highlights

What Did You Say?

Dr. Mary Lou Luebbe, audiologist and owner of Luebbe Hearing Services, visits the Main Library Wednesday, November 7 at 1 pm to discuss the importance of ear health and the advancement of technology that can improve hearing and quality of life. You'll even have the opportunity to use the computer assisted otoscope to get a look inside your own ears. This program is aimed at older adults but all are welcome. Register through our program calendar at www.ualibrary.org.

Fox N Hounds

Hear bluegrass music of the now when Fox N Hounds performs at the Main Library on Thursday, November 8 at 7 pm, as part of our Live at the Library concert series.

The band keeps the laments and ballads of bluegrass music but brings a lively side as well. Hear songs from the hills and the city, full of excitement and adventure, love and despair. Stream the group's album for free at www.listencolumbus.org.

Coloring Comics

Kids ages 9-13 are invited to meet John Novak, colorist for *Giants Beware!* and the *Tricky Journey* series, Saturday, November 10 at 2 pm at the Main Library. Learn about the color in comic books and graphic novels, and see how John colors pages on a computer.

Play and Learn

Stop by the Miller Park Library on Fridays, November 16 and December 14, from

10 am-Noon for a morning of play-based learning activities. Our activities vary each month, but may include games, play dough, cars, blocks and more. For kids ages 2-5 and their caregivers.

Study Breaks

On Tuesdays, December 11 and 18 from 3:30-5:30 pm, the Main Library will provide a place for high school and college students studying for exams to take a break. Indulge in coffee, snacks, and stress-relieving activities like coloring and play dough.

Red Cross Blood Drive

Give the gift of life by donating blood at the Main Library on Friday, December 14 from 11 am-4 pm. Walk-ins welcome or make an appointment at www.redcross-blood.org with sponsor code "UAPL."

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LIBRARY NEWS AND USEFUL INFORMATION

Fall Book Sale

The Friends of the Upper Arlington Library will hold its Fall Book Sale November 4-18 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 Sunday, November 4, from Noon-1 pm. On the final day of the sale, Sunday, November 18, Friends members can fill a paper grocery bag with books for just \$5. Nonmember price is \$10.

Holiday Library Closings

UA libraries close at 5 pm, Wednesday, November 21 and remain closed Thursday, November 22 for Thanksgiving. We are closed Monday, December 24 and Tuesday, December 25 for Christmas. We close at 3 pm, Monday, December 31 and remain closed on Tuesday, January 1 for New Year's.

#GivingTuesday

#GivingTuesday is an annual global day of giving fueled by the power of social media and collaboration. Celebrated in the U.S. on the Tuesday following Thanksgiving and the notable shopping events Black Friday and Cyber Monday, #GivingTuesday kicks off the time when many focus on their holiday and end-of-year giving. Recent library projects made possible by private donations include the update of the Miller Park Library's children's area and new technology in our meeting rooms. Please remember us November 27, this year's #GivingTuesday. You can make a contribution at <http://give.ualibrary.org>.

Listen Columbus Expanded

We've recently added new bands and albums to our Listen Columbus local music streaming service at www.listencolumbus.org. Listen Columbus was launched in 2016 as a way to highlight the local music scene,

give exposure to Columbus-area musicians, and provide music fans with a free entertainment option. The Listen Columbus collection currently features 41 albums from musicians recording, living and touring in Central Ohio. listencolumbus.org also includes a local music news blog, and its Facebook page shares news and events from local musicians of all kinds.

Book a One-on-One Appointment for Device Help

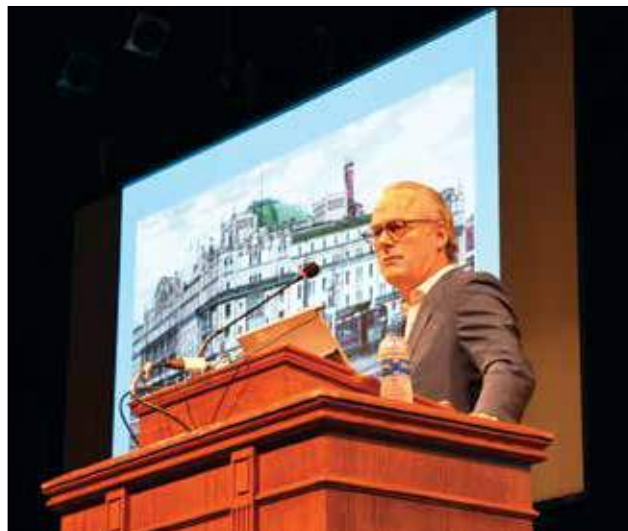
Our Media Services staff can help you load free library eBooks and eAudiobooks onto your smartphone, tablet or eReader. Visit <https://www.ualibrary.org/mediaservices> to book an individual appointment with a librarian.

Spot the Difference Puzzle

Test your observational skills! Stop by Miller Park Library from December 1-31 and use your eagle eye to spot the differences in our picture puzzle. Small prizes available while supplies last.

Explore...GATHER...*grow!!*

Over 900 people attended the 2018 Upper Arlington Author Series with speaker Amor Towles, author of *A Gentleman in Moscow*.



George Wolf and Hope Madden of the Fright Club Podcast recorded their show live at the Main Library.

Library employees Tony Bolton, Lauren DiDomenico, Nancy Byron, and Kris Stahler (not pictured) received You Make a Difference Awards at our annual Staff Development Day.



Kids made crafts, had a sensory treasure hunt, and more at Lane Road Library's Unicorn Party.



Call for Tree and Gingerbread Entries



The winter holidays will be here before you know it and we are busy planning our 47th annual Holiday Happiness. This UA family tradition is held at the Main Library, from 10 am-2 pm, Saturday, December 1. The day features favorite activities including kids' crafts, music, face painting, balloon sculptures, and a visit from Santa and Mrs. Claus.

A returning display is our Avenue of Trees. This row of festively decorated trees is one of the first things visitors see

upon entering the building. We invite local nonprofit organizations to apply to be included in this display. It's a great way to publicize your organization and to show your holiday spirit. We encourage 501(c)(3) organizations, schools, scout troops, service organizations and others to apply. To be considered to decorate one of five trees, visit <http://bit.ly/AvenueofTrees> to fill out an online application form. Tell us about your organization, and what kind of decorations and theme you would choose.

Deadline for applications is 9 am, Monday, November 5. Those selected will be notified Tuesday, November 6. Empty trees will be provided and must be decorated during normal hours of operation from November 19-21. Patrons will vote for their favorite tree and the winning organization will be named the Patrons' Choice winner.

We're also seeking patrons to participate in our annual gingerbread display. Registration forms will be available at <http://gingerbread.ualibrary.org> on Friday, November 9. Gingerbread creations must be delivered to the Main Library on Friday, November 30. We'll award prizes to the top two entries chosen as favorites by visitors.

Our thanks to the Friends of the UA Library for sponsoring Holiday Happiness and all of our programs throughout the year.



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Seated: Gloria Heydlauff (Vice President), John Yesso (President)

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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:

- Tuesday, December 4, 5 pm (change from regular day)

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Concourse Gallery

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

Here and There: In The Light of Conscience

November 1-30

Reception: 5-7 pm, Thursday, November 15

Catherine Bell Smith shares, "November is a month set aside for giving thanks. Being thankful requires reflection and a truthful examination of conscience. I find this is best accomplished through a keen awareness of nature and how well we reside within the boundaries of our lives. Around all the spaces of Arlington, I collected the material that is raked up, blown away, and crushed under foot and brought it newly assembled and transformed, into the gallery. At first glance the work is about nature and the environment but I invite you to the deeper conversation of place, value, and thanksgiving."

Here and There: Permanent Collection

December 1-30

Reception: 5-7 pm, Thursday, December 6

Movie Viewing of Portrait of an American

Town: 7 pm, Thursday, December 6

View works from the permanent collection in an exhibition curated by artist Duncan Snyder. At present, the collection is comprised of more than 100 works of art. Upper Arlington's permanent collection demonstrates that our community values the arts.



Beggar's Night

6-8 pm, Wednesday, October 31

Throughout UA neighborhoods

UA Police Division | 614-583-5150

The City's volunteer Pumpkin Patrol ensures children are safe while passing out candy.

Centennial Cycle

1-4 pm, Sunday, November 4

Begins at Sunny 95 Park

UA Parks & Recreation | 614-583-5300

Celebrate UA's Centennial with a family bike ride exploring the community and our parks. Participants can choose to take a five-mile course or a 10-mile course, both with built in rest stops featuring snacks and water. Riders will be treated to Jimmy John's and Chipotle after the race, as well

as live music from 2:30-4 pm, courtesy of Agent 99. Cost: \$10, free for children under 4 yrs. Visit parks.uaoh.net to register.

Santa's Mailbox

November 23-December 16

*Municipal Services Center Kenny Road
parking lot, 3600 Tremont Road*

Boys and girls who place a letter in Santa's special mailbox receive a letter from Santa.

Winter Festival

6-8:30 pm, Friday, November 30

Mallway Park on Arlington Avenue

UA Parks & Recreation | 614-583-5300

Celebrate the season as we light the holiday tree for the first time. Enjoy carriage rides, caroling, visits with Santa, holiday lights, a bonfire with s'mores and more. Free.

Brunch With Santa

Various times, Saturday, December 1

Amelita Mirolo Barn, Sunny 95 Park

UA Parks & Recreation | parks.uaoh.net

Enjoy a special brunch with Santa. For event details, pricing and to register, visit parks.uaoh.net.

UACA Christmas in the Park

December 2-6

Thompson Park

UA Civic Association | www.uaca.org

Reservations required.