

April 2024 Newsletter

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Hybrid Meeting

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Don't Forget To Vote!

The Mayoral and U.S. Presidential Primary Election will be on May 14th with early voting from May 2nd through May 9th. (The General Election will be held on Nov. 5th with early voting from Oct. 24th through Oct. 31st.) To register to vote, you must do so by 5pm on April 23rd. More at <https://boe.baltimorecity.gov/boe-registration>.

Do You Know If There's Lead in Your Water Lines?

As required under the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Lead and Copper Rule Revisions, the Dept. of Public Works (DPW) needs you to verify the water service line material entering your home to determine if there are any lead pipes. For the survey and instructions, go to www.servicelinepartnership.baltimorecity.gov.

Sponsor News

The **Canton Kayak Club** is continuing their 10% discount offer for renewals and new members; see their ad on page 4. Also, **Spa Adagio** and **XPF Fitness Studio** also have specials; see their ads on page 2 and 4, respectively. And please support all of our sponsors as their ads offset newsletter printing costs.

Safety Camera Access Report Update

The March safety camera monthly access report is now available; there were no incidents reported. The report is compiled by the safety chair or another designated member of the special committee. It includes the number of footage requests received, the number of requests approved or denied, camera locations accessed and the dates/times for which the footage was provided. (The report does not reveal personal information unless the requesting party is a law enforcement agency representative.) To view the report go to <https://www.upperfellspoint.org/news/safety-camera-monthly-access-report-mar-2024>.

Key Bridge Collapse – How To Help

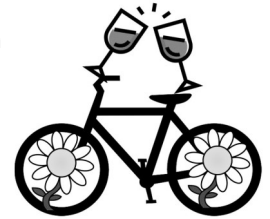
The collision/collapse of the Key Bridge on March 26th was a tragedy for Baltimore and many are wondering if there is anything they can do to help. Two fundraisers were setup to help. The GoFundMe page by the Latino Racial Justice Circle raised over \$98,000 in less than nine hours and has shut down their page and is asking that those wishing to donate send money to the Key Bridge Emergency Response Fund set up by the Mayor's Office of Immigrant Affairs at <https://www.baltimorecivicfund.org/key-bridge-response-fund>.

Wolfest – May 4th

Wolfe St. Academy's (WSA) Wolfest will be held on May 4th from Noon-6pm. This is day-long street festival, which includes kids events, food and music, is open to the public. If you would like to sponsor, donate, or be part of Wolfest, contact Mark Gaither or Heidi Weiss-Beedie at 410-396-9140. **Note: The 1900 block of Gough will be closed to traffic and no parking from 8am-6pm+ or you will be ticketed/towed at your expense.**

Sip & Plant Swap and Cycle Tour – April 28th

Celebrate Earth Day and Spring at UFPIA's Sip & Plant Swap and Cycle Tour on April 28th. The event will kickoff with an optional bicycle ride at Noon and will tour some of Baltimore City's hidden green spaces and will end at the UFPIA community garden (1827 E Pratt). Snacks and beverages (by donation) will be available at the UFPIA garden from 2-4pm.



Bring a plant (indoor or outdoor) to exchange for something else to take home. Plants can be brought in any type of container (such as a cutting in a bottle or with roots in a box or bag, etc.) but be sure to note the name of the plant and what type of care is needed (shade or full sun, frequent watering, etc.). This is a free event; donations are appreciated. Kids are welcome with an adult but no pets are allowed. Contact Jan at communitygarden@upperfellspoint.org or Mallory at beautification@upperfellspoint.org. (Proceeds to the Beautification Committee's greening efforts.)

Green For Upper Fells

Help beautify the neighborhood by adding some green to your front door! The Beautification Committee is selling large sidewalk planters containing hearty plants at a fantastic deal of just \$35. The 20"x22" containers come in blue or red (we are searching for skinny planters too). Stop by the Sip & Plant Swap on April 28th (as noted above) to purchase or reserve one by sending a request to upperfellsplanter@gmail.com. Payment can be made via cash, check (to UFPIA) or PayPal at <https://www.paypal.com/us/fundraiser/charity/1924453> (please send a copy of your email confirmation to Nancy at treasurer@upperfellspoint.org). And if you would like to help assemble the planters, send a note about your interest to the same email address. (Note: The goal is to beautify the neighborhood, so the planter should be placed in the front of your home and not in the back.)

Free Fix-it Fair – April 27th

The Station North Tool Library is hosting a free Fix-It-Fair on April 27th from 10am-2pm at the Enoch Pratt Free Library Central Branch (400 Cathedral St.). At the Fix-It Fair, tools and materials will be available to help you make common repairs to clothes, furniture, electronics, bikes, etc. Experienced volunteers, with repair skills in all kinds of fields, will also be on-site to assist you with repairs. (Note: No knife or other blade sharpening will be available.) For more details, go to <https://toollibrary.org/fixitfair>.



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UFPIA Dumpster Days:
June 15
August 24
October 5

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BULK TRASH AT MOST LOCATIONS (OR CALL 311). PROOF OF CITY RESIDENCY REQUIRED.

GARBAGE:
ALL TRASH MUST BE IN A CAN WITH A TIGHT FITTING LID - NO LOOSE BAGS. Pickup on Wed. - put curbside at 6:00pm+ on Tuesday night. If a holiday, pickup on Sat. (*Tip: If lid is separate, tether it to the can with string or cable tie.*) City ordinance mandates that cans cannot be stored on sidewalks. Up to 96 gallons per building (including multi-units) or up to 5 clear or labeled bags of yard waste (leaves, weeds, and branches up to 4" thick or 3' long). (*Note: Rats chew through plastic and love to eat dog poop so be sure to pickup after your pet-and it's the law!*)

RECYCLING:
NO plastic bags at all (including as a container)! Pickup on Friday. If a holiday, pickup usually on Sat. Items must be clean and dry. All **paper** and cardboard and cartons (no napkins and paper towels); **metal** food and beverage cans (no hangers); **glass** bottles and jars (no light bulbs, dishes, or window glass); **plastic** bottles, jugs and jars (no bags, straws, yogurt or carryout containers, rigid plastic utensils, plastic rings, or housings). **Polystyrene (Styrofoam)** is not accepted - put it in your regular trash.

PLEASE SECURE YOUR ITEMS SO THEY ARE NOT BLOWING DOWN THE STREET! More at: <https://publicworks.baltimorecity.gov/recycling-services>.

Membership dues note: If paying via PayPal please send a copy of your email confirmation to our treasurer so your dues can be accurately recorded.

UFPIA MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

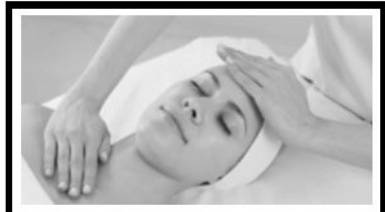
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Address _____

Email _____ Total \$ _____

Phone _____ Date _____

Dues are \$10 per person for the calendar year beginning in January. Pay at <https://www.paypal.com/us/fundraiser/charity/1924453> or via our website. Checks to UFPIA, P.O. Box 38315, Baltimore, MD 21231. Donations also are appreciated. All are tax deductible to the fullest extent allowed by law. Thank You! (*To vote: you must reside in our boundaries, be age 18+, pay your current dues and attend 2 of the preceding 11 meetings and/or attended Association sponsored events/activities per our Voting Policy.*)



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April 15th Community Meeting Agenda



This month's community meeting will be held at 7pm virtually as well as in-person at Wolfe Street Academy (245 S Wolfe). You can join our Association meeting virtually via Google Meets at <https://meet.google.com/gsx-panp-fsw> PIN: 752 084 007# or dial: 954-800-9024.

- Introductions and welcoming of new attendees
- Guest Speaker: Ranked Choice Voting Maryland*
- Officer/Committee Reports
- Discussion: Last steps for new grants
- New and unfinished business and open forum
- Social afterwards at Spirits (1901 Bank St.)

*Guest Speaker: A representative from Ranked Choice Voting Maryland will discuss their non-partisan coalition and how the ranked choice voting election process works.

The Community meeting starts promptly at 7:00pm and runs from 1 to 1-1/2 hours depending on discussions. Join us!

Notes: To be eligible to vote or to run for office, you must have paid your membership dues (based on the calendar year beginning in January), be age 18+, live in our boundaries, and have attended at least 2 of the last preceding 11 meetings and/or attended Association sponsored events/activities. (Dues are applied to the year they are collected and are considered paid at collection for the remainder of the year and through the regular Association meeting in January of the following year.) Members eligible to vote who are not present at a properly called Association meeting may vote if their absentee vote is received by an officer before the meeting, specifies the decision or election in writing, and is signed by the absent voter (email is fine). Absentee voting shall not count towards attendance. More at <https://www.upperfellspoint.org/about> - scroll down to Rules-Meeting & Voting Regulations.



Recap of March 2024 Community Meeting

Guest Speakers:

- 1) Nan Nawrocki, Executive Director from Sail Baltimore, discussed the upcoming MD Fleet Week & Flyover which returns to Baltimore from June 12-18th. The ship tours, festivals, flyovers and educational activities will take place at the Inner Harbor, Fell's Point, North Locust Point, and Martin State Airport. The ships will begin arriving on June 12th and will be open for public tours from June 13-17th from 10am-5pm unless otherwise indicated. The flyovers of modern and historic military and civilian aircraft will take place June 15-16th over the Inner Harbor (no Blue Angels). Volunteers are needed to help during the event too. For the complete schedule and more information, go to <https://sailbaltimore.org>.
- 2) Daryl Thorpe, Community Liaison for Councilman Tony Glover, and Michelle Lee, Chief of Staff, introduced themselves. Contact info is: daryl.thorpe@baltimorecity.gov; 667-239-0924. (Note: All of Upper Fells will be moving to this district.)


Officer/Committee Reports:

- Beautification:** 1) Dumpster Day/Cleanup on April 6th. 2) Planters for sale (see page 1 for more).
- Community Garden:** Half of the new raised bed boxes have been completed and filled with soil. The rest will be completed in the fall and/or early next year.
- Education:** 1) No more volunteers were needed for the Commodore John Rogers Career Fair on April 9th; thanks to everyone who volunteered. 2) Wolfest is coming (more info. on page 1).
- Fund-raising:** Work on the new Billie Holiday mural on the 200 block of S Durham is to begin in April with a celebration following the mural completion so stay tuned!
- Land-Use:** The LU Committee meets monthly at the Julie Community Center and incorporates the Safety and Traffic & Parking Committees.
- Safety:** 1) The installations of café lights are almost completed. Extra funds will be used for spare light bulbs. 2) There are 15 safety cameras available but only 10 signed MOUs, with only 5 cameras installed (Pratt Liquors, The Jungle Room, Bement & Sons, Benders Tavern and Ann St. Grocery). Some of the limitations for installation are due to building structures and internet connections.
- Media:** 1) The agenda has been moved to page 3. Contact Jan with any suggestions/comments on the new format. 2) The Canton Kayak Club is a new sponsor and they are offering a discount on membership. 3) Brent has created an Instagram page (@ufpia_baltimore) so contact him with your comments.
- Traffic & Parking:** Parker Bratton is our new T&P Committee Chair.

New Business:

- 1) The Alley Cat Bike Race (Flower Rat) was scheduled for March 23rd (however, due to rain was rescheduled for April 14th). Each team receives a list of checkpoints with unique activities and ends at Charm City Meadworks. More at <https://flowerat.carrd.co>.
- 2) Liam Davis introduced himself; he is running for City Council District 1.

More information is on our website - <https://www.upperfellspoint.org/news>.
Deadline for submissions for the May 2024 newsletter is May 5th at 5:00pm.



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April Is National Garden Month

It was established in 1973 by the National Garden Clubs, Inc. to promote gardening and horticulture education. Be sure to use only organic soil and fertilizer, plant flowers that are helpful to our pollinators (i.e., not hybrids as most of their flowers are sterile and do not contain pollen and/or nectar, which is their food) and something that blooms during all of the seasons. By following these steps, pollinator conservation can be adapted to any location, no matter how small. (Stop by our Sip & Plant Swap on April 28th to purchase a planter at a discount or pickup some free plants too!)

The Baltimore Farmers' Market Is Open!

The Baltimore Farmers' Market & Bazaar (under the Jones Falls Expressway) is open on Sundays from 7am-Noon through Dec. 22nd. (The Fell's Point Market is open year-round on Saturdays from 9am-12:30pm at Thames and S Broadway.)

Chesapeake Bay Week - April 21-27th

Maryland Public TV (MPT) will be featuring *The Bay Way of Life* which showcases our nation's largest estuary to include Maryland's iconic sailing log canoes, Bay cleanup efforts, black watermen of the Chesapeake, and Assateague Island, to name a few. For a complete list of programs, go to <https://www.mpt.org/bayweek>.

Kinetic Sculpture Race - May 4th

This is a human-powered works of art race which occurs on land, water, mud and sand, and where mediocre is the goal and judges are bribed. It is a Baltimore classic and not to be missed! It starts at the American Visionary Art Museum (AVAM), down to the water, through Patterson Park and back to AVAM. More at <https://www.kineticbaltimore.com>.

Fluid Movement's Water Ballet Sign-up - May 6th

Volunteers are needed for their summer concerts; more at <https://fluidmovement.org>.

Butcher's Hill Spring Flea Market - May 11th

There will be over 50 vendors selling their wares as well as music and food. The event runs from 9am-2pm and is located near the Observatory in Patterson Park. Find a treasure!

Cylburn Arboretum Market Day - May 11th

Plants and craft sale; event hours are 8am-2pm. More at <https://cylburn.org>.

Bike to Work Week - May 13-19th

Bike to Work Week is celebrated across the U.S. to encourage and celebrate bicycling as well as to promote public awareness of bike safety and bicycling. There will be several local events and group rides and giveaway items throughout the week. More at <https://biketoworkmd.com>.

The Patterson Park Community Chorus Concert - May 19th and 20th

The PPCC spring performance will be held at the Ministry of Brewing from 7:30-8:30pm on both nights. The concert is free.

Patterson Park Wine at Sunset - May 23rd

This wine-tasting fundraiser will be held from 6-9pm near the Marble Fountain in Patterson Park. Tickets and information are available at <https://pattersonpark.com/wineatsunset>. If you are a Friends of Patterson Park member, check your email for your discount code or you can join/renew at <https://pattersonpark.com/donate>.

Maryland Fleet Week & Flyover Baltimore - June 12-18th

This year's event includes several ship tours, festivals, flyovers and educational activities at the Inner Harbor, Fell's Point, North Locust Point and Martin State Airport. More at <https://sailbaltimore.org>.



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