

#### THE UNIVERSITY PARK COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION NEWSLETTER

# UPtoDATE

# **UP to Date Screenshot**

Presenting your third 2025 Screenshot, the ninth issue. Screenshot is presented as a summary of recent UPCAI (your HOA) news, fresh from the latest board meetings. If you have any questions and/or suggestions, please send an email to our HOA Assistant Board Secretary, Jennifer Everingham, jeveringham@upcai-fl.com.



# **RE-**SIDENT **MINDERS**

#### **Roadway Reminders!**

All University Park roadways are single lane! Please be sure to stop and not slide through a stop sign; walk only on sidewalks and be mindful of those on bicycles! Please share this information with your guests & vendors!

### Comcast Update Reminder!

The Comcast expected completion date has been temporarily extended. If you have not scheduled your ONU upgrade, please call 833.501.1928 *NOW* to avoid a potential service interruption!

# **KEY ACTIONS**

# Architecture & Landscape Committee (ALC)

The board approved the updated ALC Regulations. Click <u>HERE</u> to review.

ALC meetings are held bi-weekly; the cut-off for applications is no later than NOON each Friday to be considered in the fifteen (15) applications per week maximum. Incomplete applications will be returned to residents and must be re-submitted. Please direct any questions to: <u>alc@upcai-fl.com</u>.

# Community Emergency Response Team (CERT)

On Wednesday, May 7, 2025, Rebecca Barry, a WFLA Channel 8 meteorologist, presented the current forecast on the upcoming hurricane season as well as methods to deal with it {*see photo on the next page*}.

Severe Storm Processes and Procedures have been developed. Once an emergency is declared by the Governor and/or Manatee County, the University Park Hurricane Plan will go into effect to secure the premises. Association email blasts of the declared emergency will be sent to the community under the University Park "First Alert" news banner. All CERT storm and hurricane documents are on our website. Click <u>HERE</u> to be directed to CERT's page.

## **Communications & PR Committee**

Monthly meetings were held on April 2nd and May 7th. The mission of this newly formed committee, as approved by the board, is "... ensuring that all residents are informed about community news, updates, and events. As the primary information group, the committee must ensure that clear and consistent information is conveyed between the University Park Community Association, Inc. (UPCAI) Board of Directors and all residents. The mission of the committee to ensure effective communication with all residents is essential and must be given high priority."

The committee is primarily responsible for the UPCAI website content and publication of the quarterly UP to Date e-newsletter as well as the online UP to Date Screenshots.

The committee arranged for a presentation, "Situational Awareness," on Tuesday, May 20th by Manatee County Deputy Sheriff Tom Kaczmarek. The presentation was very well attended. Residents who were present said it "hit home" since it covered our everyday safety precautions in and outside of The Park.



## **Compliance & Enforcement Committee**

During the monthly Hearing Committee meetings, issues identified ranged from mailbox repairs to driveway repairs. The committee is working on next steps in the traffic control program and is researching upgraded "Your Speed Is" signs.

The board approved the committee's recommendation to remove all of the developer directional signs to neighborhoods.

#### Infrastructure Committee

Continued work on the fourth (combining St. James Park & Langley Park) and the fifth (combining Albemarle & Sloane Gardens) pumping stations is underway. Research on the rotunda (aka gazebo) roof repair continues. An ad-hoc committee is now evaluating each option and cost and will conduct an online community-wide survey for input. Date TBD.

The Gas Light Services inspection is complete. If you still have a yard light out, it means you need additional work on the light. The HOA recommends you contact Tom Barriere Plumbing, 941.423.8223, or Gas Light Services, 941.232.8668 to have the repairs completed. Residents are financially responsible for repairs made to their gas yard lights.

#### Park Boulevard Management (PBM)

PBM is working with Big Earth (a landscape wholesaler) to install mulch throughout the community this fall. Brown's Tree Service has completed palm tree pruning throughout the community. Lighting at the front entrance and the planter boxes have been installed and work is also underway at the front entrance to prepare the soil for summer flowers, scheduled to be planted at the beginning of June.

Knightsbridge has upgraded their front entrance, Notting Hill has landscaping upgrades planned, and Wimbledon had their mailboxes refurbished.

PBM's recommended irrigation times by neighborhood were approved by the board and were effective May 1, 2025, with maximum irrigation times of sixty (60) minutes for the neighborhoods with the largest lots.

**REMINDER:** ponds are extremely low! Please **DO NOT** adjust your own timers!



Hurricane Hacks Townhall, May 7, 2025