



**UPPER UMHLANGA SECURITY TRUST**  
(Funded by MEMBERS)

Dear Members  
«Residents\_Name» «Street\_Name»  
Member Number : «Member\_Status»

24 February 2017

**UPDATE FROM SECURITY**

Crime stats for the UUST Zone from the commencement of January to date :

7 Break-ins  
1 Fence Jumper

The Security Team would like to encourage all UUST members to have a UUST membership board on display at the entrance of their property. It assists the security team in easily identifying you as a UUST member. Should you not have a membership board on display please email [info@uust.org.za](mailto:info@uust.org.za) and we will arrange for a board to be erected.

We are proud to share that the UUST Security team featured in the Northglen News in relation to the phenomenal crime stats which they released at the commencement of January. For further information on this please refer to the UUST's January newsletter or you can access the article that appeared in the Northglen news via their online website.

**UPDATE FROM CLEANING AND GREENING**



Through the efforts of the Cleaning and Greening team the graffiti on the Egret Lane bridge has been cleaned. Many of the resources used for the graffiti clean-up, as well as, general landscaping and cleaning is largely funded by UUST members in their personal capacity. We would like to thank those for their ongoing generous donation and contributions.

The UUST Cleaning and Greening team continually finds a great deal of litter on the pavements, pathways, verges and in the parks within the Upper Umhlanga. A minimum of approximately **20 black bags** of litter is collected **per week**. To improve this situation we as the Upper Umhlanga community need to pull together and make a difference.

How **you** as a community member can help:

- Request domestic and garden staff to regularly check for and collect litter on the verge of your property, including the open spaces in close proximity to your house
- Take a bag with you when walking your dogs
- Educate your staff and household members about the perils of litter and encourage them not only to not litter but also to pick-up any litter they may come across
- Participate in the UUST's litter drives
- Keep building rubble off your verge
- Keep your verge neat and tidy – we are going to bring verge of the month soon



Next month's newsletter will have an informative insert on invasive alien plants from our Cleaning and Greening team.

## **UPDATE FROM MARKETING COMMUNICATIONS**

### **Fundraiser in conjunction with Atholton Primary School**

The UUST's Marketing Communications team has been delighted to form part of Atholton's fundraiser for Choc. Choc is a Childhood Cancer Foundation which raises funds for underprivileged children needing cancer treatment. To learn more about Choc and their admirable work please log onto their website; [www.choc.org.za](http://www.choc.org.za)

For Valentine's Day the UUST donated sponsored prizes to Atholton Primary School which was used for their Valentine's Day lucky draw. Each pupil paid R10 to wear civvies on Valentine's Day and gained an entry into the lucky draw. All proceeds raised, totalling **R6975.00** was happily donated to Choc.

The UUST would like to acknowledge the sponsors of the lucky draw prizes for their generous sponsorship prizes. The sponsors include Build-A-Bear in Gateway, Funky Monkey with branches in both Umhlanga Ridge and Ballito and @Play in the Umhlanga Pearls Mall.



### UUST's Valentine's Day Community Walk

Last weekend started with a thoroughly relaxing and fun filled Valentine's Day Community Walk hosted by the UUST. We would like to thank everyone



for their involvement and would like to encourage residents to partake in future events.

Please follow our Facebook page to see more pictures from the walk.

## Speedbumps in Portland

The UUST aims to make our neighbourhood **safe** and in our endeavour to do this we have been dedicated in facilitating the construction of speedbumps in Portland drive which has assisted greatly with speeding control, and this of course, contributes towards a **safer** environment.



## Tax Benefit Reminder

As a friendly reminder, which had already appeared as a Newsflash last week Sunday, we appeal to members to please **settle** their accounts. The UUST is a registered PBO and is therefore able offer its members a tax benefit in terms of Section 18A Tax Allowance.

**For some interesting and informative reading on matters concerning all residents please follow these links;**

*Nightly shut-offs of water are affecting the water meter readings and in turn your elevated water meter bill.*

<http://northglennews.co.za/103294/watch-air-trapped-pipe-affects-water-metre-reading/>

*Property owners are urged to review the new municipal property valuations on the eThekweni Municipality Website.*

<http://www.durban.gov.za:89/propertysearch.htm>

In closing the UUST team would like to share some positive feedback received from one of our members, Lesley Paterson. Thank you Lesley. It is always so rewarding being acknowledge for all our efforts.

“For years I have lived in a state of fear and concern that someone would break into my home, attack me or my family and cause us enormous trauma. Many times I would be nervous about leaving doors open just in

case an intruder came into my property. Since UUST has reduced crime, I have felt so much happier, so much safer! I almost feel as though I am living in another country! This is what it should be like. And it's all thanks to the amazing work that the UUST has done to make our lives safer. THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU! The work you guys are doing is wonderful. I only wish everyone in our area would realise how fortunate we are to have the UUST."

Should any members have changed their contact details please be so kind in notifying the UUST by sending an email to [info@uust.org.za](mailto:info@uust.org.za) with your updated contact details.

If any members would like to make suggestions to our team please contact them on;

Kevin on mobile 082 694 3100 or e-mail [kevin@uust.org.za](mailto:kevin@uust.org.za)  
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ONWARDS AND UPWARDS ..... THE UUST IS CONTINUING TO ENSURE A SAFE ENVIRONMENT FOR ITS MEMBERS!



**We welcome the new additions to our UUST team and again thank all our members for their ongoing support.**

*The UUST does not endorse any services or goods advertised through this medium but offers the option to promote one's business to local residents. Should you wish to advertise via our newsletter please contact us.*

**[Click here to contact the team](#)**