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# The Uplander



MacQueen Hall

## The official newsletter of historic Upland Borough

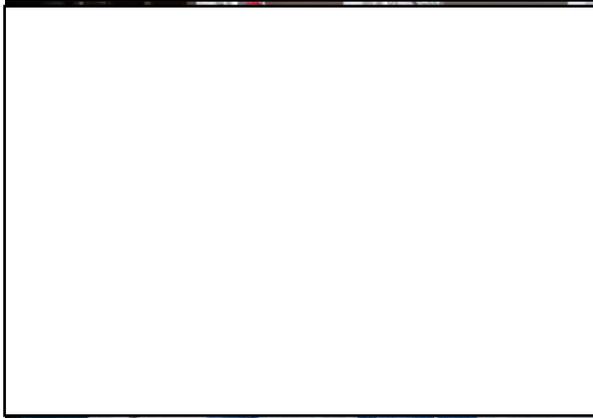
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### Seniors Enjoy Holiday Party



The members of the Upland Senior Citizens Club gathered for their annual holiday party on Dec. 14.



There was lots of good food served to go along with the good cheer and good will between friends.



And, of course, the obligatory game of double-deck pinochle was enjoyed as well.



And what would a Christmas party be without a visit from Saint Nick, who stopped by to hand out gifts to all the good little girls and boys.



Santa Claus posed with members of the Upland Garage Motorcycle Club, who paid their annual visit to MacQueen Hall to support the borough's senior citizens, donating four door prizes (in envelopes held by USCC President Lee Hunter) that were raffled off to lucky party attendees.



On behalf of Borough Council, Council VP Christine Peterson gave Hunter a \$200 check, representing the borough's USCC support contribution for 2016.

## 2016 Budget Extends No-Tax-Hike Streak

At final budget adoption on Dec. 8, Upland Borough taxpayers got the early holiday gift that they were hoping for – a 29<sup>th</sup> consecutive year of the property tax millage holding steady at 2.0 mills in 2016. Furthermore, the annual trash collection fee, which was set at \$135 per household in 2008, will also remain the same for the 8<sup>th</sup> straight year.

The borough's 2016 general budget is balanced at \$2,967,809. After cresting the \$3 million mark for the first time in 2014, the general budget total has held steady just below the high-water mark for the two following fiscal years.

The final 2016 budget for the borough-owned Auburn Village apartment complex totals \$811,560, which represents an increase of \$33,560 or 4% over Auburn Village expenditures for the past two years. Council President Edward Mitchell was thrilled to add yet another year to Upland's no-tax-hike streak.

***"As of Jan. 1, we will be in our 29<sup>th</sup> consecutive year of having held the line on taxation. This council and previous councils have been doing this for a long time. There's a dedication to keeping this town moving in the right direction and keeping taxes affordable,"*** Mitchell said after the 2016 final budget was unanimously approved and adopted by Borough Council.

*"It's good to watch the young folks handling the money. I enjoy seeing the creativity that goes into it and what can be done when everybody works together,"* Mitchell added, acknowledging the diligence of Finance Committee Chairwoman Moira Crawford, who has served as a budget watchdog since she became a Council member in 2008.

*"I couldn't be any happier,"* Mitchell concluded.

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## Blue Ribbon Campaign Gets Legs

After receiving a positive response from several residents, Councilman Bill Dennon has announced the next step in the Blue Ribbon Campaign, which is one way residents can show their support of the Upland Police Department.

An arts & crafts day will be held on **Saturday, Jan. 9, from noon to 2pm**, when borough youth and any interested resident can feed their creativity by making the ribbons at MacQueen Hall, with the borough providing all craft materials.

Dennon hopes residents will then display the blue ribbons outside their homes, in the same manner that yellow ribbons are used to welcome home returning veterans. Dennon describes the Blue Ribbon Campaign as a way for Upland residents to assure their hometown police force: "We have your back!"

If you would like your family to participate in the arts & crafts day to produce the ribbons, or if you have any questions regarding this campaign, please call the borough office at **610-874-7317** or email Bill directly at **bdennon@Contributionship.com**.

## Fire Marshal Finds Non-Compliant Landlords

According to Fire Marshal David Favinger's Dec. 8 report, as of the end of November, he had completed the mandatory annual fire safety inspections on 22 Upland rental properties and five commercial properties. Favinger reported that "several" landlords were found to be out of compliance with fire safety regulations.

At the end of the calendar year, once all inspections are completed (or at least attempted), Favinger turns over a list of all non-compliant property owners to the borough solicitor, who then takes the appropriate legal action to enforce the borough's fire safety laws in court.

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## Council Hears Expansion Proposal

At Council's Dec. 8 meeting, a proposal was presented for construction of a larger building to house Family Dollar, currently located in the Upland Shopping Center. The new building would sit across Upland Avenue from the shopping center, on land currently owned by Crozer-Chester Medical Center.

According to CCMC Facilities Planning & Development VP Brian Crimmins, the 2.5-acre lot that CCMC would be willing to sell to Family Dollar now has three vacant buildings on it. CCMC plans to demolish the three structures and has already applied to the borough for a demolition permit.

Family Dollar's leased space in the shopping center currently gives the retail store 5,000 square feet of floor space, whereas the proposed free-standing building would provide 9,200 square feet. Some stock items are currently being displayed in the aisles, due to limited shelf space, Crimmins noted.

After consulting with PennDOT, CCMC has been advised that widening Upland Avenue would likely be required, but the need to create a left-turn lane could be eliminated, if the driveway entrance to the new store would be aligned directly across from the intersection of West 24<sup>th</sup> Street.

Council members raised no specific objections to the proposed property sale/construction project, but it was noted that a zoning change would be needed to convert two residential zones and one institutional zone into one commercially-zoned building lot. The time and expense that the borough would incur to create a new zoning map to accommodate the proposal was seen as one drawback to the plan.

No immediate decisions were made, as CCMC simply wanted to gauge the borough's position on the proposal, before moving forward with a more detailed plan. Borough and CCMC officials will be scheduling a meeting in the near future to further discuss the topic.

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## Mayor Ciach Ready To Run Again

Upland Mayor Michael Ciach has announced that he is ready and willing to be the Republican Party's endorsed candidate in a special election to replace former State Representative Thaddeus Kirkland. Kirkland promised to step down from his 11-term statehouse post as representative of the 159<sup>th</sup> Legislative District, if he won the November contest to be mayor of the City of Chester, which he did. Even though Kirkland survived Ciach's challenge for the state rep seat in 2014, Ciach carried the majority of the 10 towns that are part of the 159<sup>th</sup> District.

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### Please Consider Your Neighbor

The husband and wife owners of a Castle Avenue property came before Borough Council on Dec. 8, armed with photographs of their neighbor's unkempt overgrowth, which has been creating safety issues and clean-up expenses, all due to an "unresponsive neighbor."

The overgrowth includes dead trees, which hang over a fence and regularly drop branches into the neighbor's yard, as well as uncontrolled vines that have climbed utility poles and put a stranglehold on the same electric lines that provide power to the police station.

"It's really disheartening," said the frustrated homeowners. "It's like living next to a slum."

Code Enforcement Officer William Kirby has stopped by the site to take photographs of the offending overgrowth, and will likely be paying another visit soon to issue citations, if the intrusion on other properties is not promptly addressed.

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### Upland Submits CDBG Wishlist

Borough Council recently held a public hearing to get input on potential public improvement projects that could be funded by a 2016 Community Development Block Grant. Delaware County Council awards CDBG funds every April, following the December submission of potential projects from each Delco municipality.

Upland has requested CDBG funding for further development of the public playground next to Bristol Lord Field as a first choice, and funding for general street improvements as a second choice.

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### Ready...Set...Snow?

We have seen weather forecasts predicting this El Nino-fueled winter to be everything from warm and wet, with very little snow, to a virtual conveyor belt of snowstorms for parts of our region, but in either case, the Upland Borough Highway Department will be ready.

Streets & Equipment Chairwoman Christine Peterson noted that the men of the Highway Department were already making preparations for winter weather in early December, when the weather was still unseasonably warm.

In the snow-plowing and road-salting business, you prepare for the worst, and hope for the best.

## UBC Food Bank Needs You!

**The Community Food Bank at the Upland Baptist Church is in need of volunteer workers to help separate donations and to bag up groceries for the families that benefit from this vital community outreach program.**

**Food Bank helpers are needed every Tuesday and Wednesday, from 8 to 10am. Call the UBC office at 610-874-7474 for more information.**

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### More Liens On Delinquents

According to Code Enforcement Officer William Kirby's December report, three more liens were filed on the properties of delinquent owners in November, bringing the total number of municipal liens placed on Upland properties in 2015 up to 18. Placing a lien on a property, which will be satisfied at the time of the property's sale, is the borough's last resort for getting paid for overdue taxes and/or code violation citations.

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### Council Maintains Public Meeting Schedule

Upland Borough Council will maintain its current public meeting schedule in 2016, meeting on the ground floor of MacQueen Hall on the second Tuesday of every month. A second monthly Council meeting is tentatively scheduled for the fourth Tuesday of each month, but the second meeting is only held on an as-needed basis.

All Council meetings start at 7pm, while a pre-meeting caucus session (to which the public is also invited) starts at 6pm.

Borough planning commission and zoning hearing board meetings are held on an as-needed basis.

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## Borough Council Reorganization

**(Re-elected Council members sworn in;  
Council officers elected)**

**6pm on Monday, Jan. 4  
on ground floor of MacQueen Hall**

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## Monday Night VBS

**6 to 7pm, every Monday night  
at Upland Baptist Church  
(Dinner, activity and Bible story)**

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## Blue Ribbon Arts & Crafts Day

**12 to 2pm on Saturday, Jan. 9  
on second floor of MacQueen Hall**

**Borough youth create blue ribbons to support Upland PD  
All residents invited – Pizza and soda served**

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## Borough Council Meetings

**6pm caucus; 7pm regular voting session  
Tuesday, Jan. 12, Feb. 9, and March 8  
on ground floor of MacQueen Hall**

## Youth Aid Panel Needs Volunteers To Succeed

According to Police Chief Nelson Ocasio, the Upland PD is looking into re-establishing a Youth Aid Panel in Upland Borough.

There are currently 25 Youth Aid Panels operating across Delaware County. These judicial panels are comprised of citizens who are willing to hear the criminal cases of first-time juvenile offenders (in lieu of a judge), usually handing out sentences of community service, while sparing the teen from having a criminal record.

*"It's a great way for us to give back to the kids in the borough, and something that will hopefully help keep them on the right track,"* Ocasio recently told Upland Borough Council.

Any borough residents who are interested in serving on a Youth Aid Panel in Upland should contact the borough office (610-874-7317) or Upland police headquarters (610-872-3040) to sign up for a training session scheduled for March 2016.

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## Snow Dos and Don'ts

**Please observe the following public safety measures during any snow emergency:**

**Do:** Remove snow from sidewalks within 48 hours of the end of a snowfall. By clearing snow immediately, you will use less de-icing material.

**Do:** Make sure that the de-icing product you are using is environmentally safe.

**Don't:** Shovel snow back into a plowed street, as this creates a public safety hazard.

**Don't:** Attempt to save or block off a cleared parking space with any type of furniture, grills, or traffic cones. The borough will remove any space-saving objects, as this illegal practice amounts to obstructing a public thoroughfare.

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## Free Shredding Events Planned

The specific dates are yet to be determined, but Borough Council has decided to hold a pair of paper-shredding events this year to give Upland residents a chance to discard tons of old documents easily and securely, and best of all, at no cost.

Research is currently being done to determine the best on-site shredding vendor. Once a vendor is chosen, dates in the **Spring and Fall of 2016** will be announced in *The Uplander*...Stay tuned.

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## Website Provides Valuable Info

Visit [www.uplandboro.org](http://www.uplandboro.org) to find an expanded version of the borough's monthly newsletter, a current events calendar, historical narratives, public health notices, borough ordinances, council meeting minutes, live surveillance video feeds, and lots of photo galleries of recent community events.

**To share digital photos or information on the borough's website, send email to**

[mcrawford@uplandboro.org](mailto:mcrawford@uplandboro.org)

## Police Motorcycle Totaled

Upland Police Chief Nelson Ocasio recently confirmed the borough's expectations, when he announced that the 2014 Harley Davidson 1600cc motorcycle that was involved in a traffic accident at Upland Avenue and Kerlin Street intersection this past October has been declared a total loss by insurance adjusters. The insurance company will ultimately reimburse the borough for the expense of replacing the Upland PD's lone motorcycle unit, minus the policy deductible.

Fortunately, Upland Officer William Meyer fared much better than his ride. In December, the injured officer was still wearing a soft cast on his healing ankle, but is expected to make a full recovery and return to work later this year.

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Is this where the phrase 'fine-feathered friends' originated?

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**Did You Know?:** Back in days of old, tanneries used urine to tan animal skins, leading some families to all pee in one pot, then once a day, the pot was emptied and the contents were sold to the tannery. If your family had to do this to survive, you were said to be **'piss poor.'** Still worse off were the really poor folks who couldn't even afford to buy a pot. They **'didn't have a pot to piss in'** and were considered the poorest of the poor.



To avoid burying a loved one alive, families would often tie a string to the wrist of the corpse, lead it through the coffin and up through the ground and tie it to a bell. Someone would have to sit out in the cemetery all night on **'the graveyard shift'** to listen for the bell. So a person buried alive could be **'saved by the bell,'** but otherwise, they were ultimately declared a **'dead ringer.'**

## Important Notice For Auburn Villagers

In the event that an Auburn Village resident is locked out of their home after normal business hours, the quickest way to get back into your home is to **CALL 9-1-1** and wait for the police to arrive. The Upland Police Department now has master keys for every Auburn Village unit.

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### Flood Safety Awareness Could Save Your Life and/or Property

Every year in the US, flooding claims nearly 100 lives and causes an average of \$8 billion worth of property damage. To highlight these frightening facts, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) are offering valuable flood safety tips online at [www.ready.gov/floods](http://www.ready.gov/floods), while information on how to obtain a flood insurance policy can be found at [www.floodsmart.gov](http://www.floodsmart.gov).

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### Residents Should Sign Up For Emergency Phone Service

To enjoy the full benefits of the borough's information phone service, residents with unlisted phone numbers should call the borough office at **610-874-7317** to register. The automated service was instituted in 2009 to keep borough residents informed of upcoming community events, but is also utilized in the event of a borough-wide emergency.

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### Flooding Questions Answered

The Upland Borough website recently added a new feature that is essentially a PDF file of a 65-page FEMA booklet that answers the most commonly asked questions about flooding, flood plain management, and flood insurance.

To access this information at [uplandboro.org](http://uplandboro.org), first select the 'Departments' link, then 'Floodplain Management,' then 'Answers to Questions about the NFIP' (National Flood Insurance Program).

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### Report Blocked Stormwater Inlets

To keep stormwater runoff flowing swiftly from the street and down into underground channels that ultimately take runoff to Chester Creek, stormwater inlet grates need to be cleared of debris on a regular basis.

Our Public Works Department is always on the lookout for partially blocked stormwater inlets, but every resident should be vigilant, and should report a blocked inlet to the borough office immediately.

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## Upland Gives Up The Love



Aiming to help Councilwoman Sandy (nee Kirby) Miazza defray recent medical expenses, a Sept. 19 fundraiser was held at MacQueen Hall, where Sandy was surrounded by an estimated crowd of 375 loving friends and supporters.

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Following up on a recent suggestion from fellow Councilman Leland Hunter, Sandy's "outstanding contributions to the Community Affairs Committee" were honored by Upland Borough Council with the mounting of a wall plaque, located just outside the kitchen in MacQueen Hall.

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### Home Improvement Tips

The following tips may save you money and a lot of grief, if you are having any type of repairs or home improvements done around your home.

- Get at least three estimates, so that you can compare the prices of reputable companies. And don't hesitate to tell each contractor that you are shopping for the best price, as competition tends to keep prices down.

- Every contractor must show you proof of their insurance and a Home Improvement State License. They must also have an Upland Borough permit, and in some cases, an Upland Borough Contractor's License. A copy of the borough permit must be displayed in a front window of your home.

- Call the borough office at **610-874-7317** during regular business hours to get answers to any questions or concerns.

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### Kirby Takes On Code Enforcement

Following Councilman Leland Hunter's retirement from serving the past seven years as the borough's code enforcement officer, Hunter's former code enforcement assistant, William Kirby, has taken over the job, effective Sept. 1.

Kirby will be paid \$12.50 per hour as the borough's code enforcement officer, working five hours each day, from Tuesday to Friday each week.

## Council Mulls New Approach To Tax/Code Delinquents

Borough Council has had just about enough from property owners who routinely refuse to pay their borough taxes and/or code citations generated by a lack of property maintenance.

"We have people in the borough, it's sad to say, that will not obey the rules, and they make quality of life issues for everyone around them," Councilman Harold Peden noted.

The borough's only recourse in such situations has been to place a lien on the delinquent property, so that all monies owed will eventually be paid at the time the property is sold. But some property owners, including several absentee landlords, don't care about liens that will be paid off in the future, so long as they are able to collect full rents in the meantime.

A total of nine liens were placed on Upland properties so far in 2015. According to Borough Solicitor Robert O'Connor, about half of the municipal liens being filed are being put on the same properties that have been liened several times in the past, with some properties now carrying up to six liens.

"Even though we've liened these properties, they just continue to thumb their nose at us, year after year," Peden observed.

"Some liens do encourage the property owner to pay us," said Peden. "So I think we should advertise the fact that if you're one of the people who doesn't comply with us; if you're not going to cooperate with your neighbors; if you're not going to keep our borough clean; if we have to keep coming after you, then we're going to lien your property. If people know that up front, I think it might save (Code Enforcement Officer) Mr. Kirby from having to write a few citations."

The Council discussion regarding multiple liens led to agreement that a new approach is needed to force repeat offenders into payment of delinquent taxes and code violations.

One potential solution would be establishing tiers for penalties generated by non-payment of taxes and code citations. Under a tiered schedule of fines, chronic delinquents would be subject to greater penalties than first-time offenders.

"Maybe we should be raising the stakes to the next level for the (property owners) who keep doing this over and over again," Peden suggested, garnering Council's general consent.

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## Floodplain Ordinance Amended

Council unanimously adopted curative revisions to the Floodplain Management section of the borough code at its Oct. 13 session.

The amended Chapter 90, Article V (under Technical Provisions, Section 5.02, "Elevation and Flood-proofing Requirements") now reads: "Within any Special Flood Hazard Area, any permitted new construction or substantial improvements shall be accomplished in such a way that the following provisions apply:"

## Cool & Creative Halloween Costumes



Balloons twisted into shapes and a variety of animals were popular at the annual Youth Halloween Party on Oct. 24.



About 30 costumed kids attended the free event, which was sponsored by the Community Affairs Committee.

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## Halloween Costume Winners

The wide variety of spooky and clever costumes that were worn to the borough's annual Youth Halloween Party on Oct. 24 was impressive, creating some tough choices for the judges when it came time to choose the three best costumes in each of three age groups. After much deliberation, those winners were:

- Ages 0 to 5: 1<sup>st</sup> place – Malany Carrion (snowman)  
2<sup>nd</sup> place – Matthew Shaw (penguin)  
3<sup>rd</sup> place – Olivia Jones (Elvira)
- Ages 6 to 8: 1<sup>st</sup> place – Chasity Satchel (mummy)  
2<sup>nd</sup> place – C.J. Mohler-Grodzki (Mario)  
3<sup>rd</sup> place – Kyle Hansell (zombie scout)
- Ages 9 to 13: 1<sup>st</sup> place – Iyannah Dickerson (nerd)  
2<sup>nd</sup> place – Aryn Strigle (tin girl)  
3<sup>rd</sup> place – Cole Hansell (zombie)

**Congratulations to the winners** and to all the children and parents who spent time together and had fun getting dressed up for Halloween.

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### Police Chief Earns Degree

Upland Police Chief Nelson Ocasio recently completed two and a half years of study at Neumann University in Aston, earning the 120 credits needed for a Bachelor of Science Degree in Liberal Arts.

Ocasio, who just celebrated his 27<sup>th</sup> birthday, is now gearing up for the additional 18 months of study that will be needed to attain a Master's Degree in Organizational and Strategic Leadership.



Mayor Michael Ciach presented Police Chief Nelson Ocasio with an education certificate on Oct. 13, acknowledging Ocasio's recent completion of his Bachelor's Degree.

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### Council Approves Donation

Borough Council unanimously approved a \$2,500 donation to Detachment 288 of the Marine Corps League at Council's Sept. 8 public meeting.

Members of Detachment 288, which operates out of its Sixth Street headquarters, have graciously provided military honor guards for several borough events, including the annual Memorial Day services at the war memorial in Upland Memorial Park.

According to Commandant Mark Slaymaker, the requested borough donation will be utilized to pay for several maintenance projects at the Sixth Street site, including pavilion roof repairs; the purchase of three heavy-duty outdoor picnic tables (to be bought by the borough from Delco prisons at the special rate of three tables for \$500); and upgrades to the heating and cooling systems.

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### Surge In Parking Tix Written

Upland residents may want to think twice before they illegally park in a fire lane or a spot reserved for handicapped drivers.

Traffic Officer Sean Dougherty, of the Upland PD, recently reported his ticket-writing activities for the month of August, noting that he had issued a total of 200 parking tickets in that month alone. That brings the total number of parking tickets handed out this year up to 467, so enforcement has clearly been ramped up.

Dougherty explained that most of the tickets were issued to vehicles illegally parked in fire lanes or handicapped spots. He added that the tickets written electronically through the new computerized E-Citation system are virtually "indisputable," since each ticket includes a photograph of the illegally-parked vehicle and its license plate, and the GPS of the location.

### Police Website Up & Running

If you need more information regarding a police matter or if you have a specific question that needs an answer from a police officer, you are in luck. The Upland Police Department recently launched its own website at [www.uplandpolice.org](http://www.uplandpolice.org).

The Upland PD website can be used in English or Spanish and provides a wealth of information, including individual officer's email addresses, department history and general information, anonymous tip forms, and a list of frequently asked questions and answers, et al.

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### Santa Claus Comes To Town



Santa made his annual visit to Upland on Nov. 27, and was warmly greeted by kids of all ages.



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## Predictable Sweep At Polls

The results of the Nov. 3 General Election were no surprise to anyone in Upland, as all five incumbent Council members ran unopposed. Among the Republican winners, Council VP Christine Peterson claimed bragging rights by getting the most votes.

### Four-year terms:

Christine Peterson – 318      Edward Mitchell – 279  
Harold R. Peden – 272      Leland Hunter – 259

Two-year term: William Dennon – 308

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On behalf of Upland Borough, Borough Manager Greg Grillone (far left) and Council VP Christine Peterson (right center) recently accepted a certificate of appreciation from B & L Disposal Services Owner Lou Bizzari (far right) and his wife, Vanessa.

## Borough and Trash Hauler Partner To Help Vets

Upland residents and their trash hauler, B & L Disposal Services, have been working together to assist veterans from Philadelphia and Delaware Counties for the past six months, even though the residents have been unaware of their contributions. For the last two years, Upland Borough has been the beneficiary of two Electronic Recycling Days, when B & L parked a trailer in the MacQueen Hall lot and residents were able to drop off unwanted and outdated electronic devices at no charge. B & L then stripped down those electronic items into whatever recyclable materials they would yield, then sold those materials to manufacturers to cover their costs and turn a small profit.

Since this summer, however, B & L Owner Lou Bizzari has been donating the cash yielded from Upland's recyclables to a program called Second Brigade Welcome Home, which is being organized by the Second Brigade Motorcycle Club, whose members include several veterans. Bizzari says that the program also honors his father, who was a U.S. Army vet and a biker, as well.

By donating the proceeds from Upland's recycling, Bizzari and his club mates have been able to feed about 125 veterans on a daily basis, while also providing health care, clothing, job training, and short-term housing for homeless vets.

Bizzari and his wife, Vanessa, presented Upland Borough Council with a framed certificate of appreciation at the Nov. 10 Council meeting, to acknowledge a successful partnership that has turned recyclables into loving care for veterans in need.

## Seniors Enjoy Free Thanksgiving Dinner



The borough-sponsored Seniors Thanksgiving Dinner was held at MacQueen Hall on Nov. 14, with virtually every seat in the house being filled. The free family-style meal was cooked by members of the Community Affairs Committee, and served by volunteers, including the Upland Baptist Church congregation, all of whom gathered for this post-meal photo.



The head tables included (clockwise from left rear) Mayor Michael Ciach, Borough Council President Edward Mitchell, Resurrection Life Church Pastor Bryan McGrouty, and Upland Baptist's Rev. Brenda Shaw and her husband John.



And it was apparent that no one left the room hungry!

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## Council Supports Seniors

Borough Council recently unanimously approved a \$200 donation to the Upland Senior Citizens Club to help support the group's activities and weekly meetings in 2016. Seniors meet on the second floor of MacQueen Hall to socialize and play cards and games, every Monday from 10am to 3pm, March through December.

Councilman Lee Hunter, who has served as USCC president for the last five years, has extended a general invitation to local seniors to join the fun and games when the group reconvenes in early March.

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