



# The Uplander



The Caleb Pusey House

MacQueen Hall

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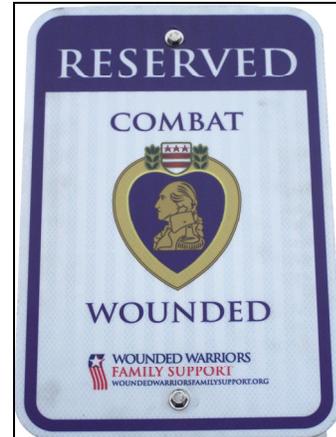
## Veterans Honored With Special Parking Spot

With the cooperation of the owners of Sam & Sam's Meats in the Upland Shopping Center, two veterans-only parking spaces have been created near the front entrance to the grocery store.

The restricted parking spaces are painted purple, similar to the way that parking spaces reserved for the handicapped are painted blue. Two signs have been posted on a light pole to identify the special parking spaces, in the hopes that non-veterans will park elsewhere and respect the honor that is intended as a thank you to our dedicated servicemen and women.

A public dedication ceremony was held on Saturday, Oct. 8 at Sam & Sam's Meats, with a small crowd of locals in attendance. The event was part of the celebration of the 8-year anniversary of Sam & Sam's being at this location. Elsewhere in the parking lot a giant walking Krimpet handed out Tastykake Krimpets, while the Upland Fire Co. gave firetruck tours, and free grilled hotdogs and chips were handed out. Those who gathered for the dedication included five Upland Borough Council members, five veterans, two Upland police officers, and Sam & Sam's General Manager Bob Garrity.

Upland Mayor Michael Ciach gave a short speech, thanking all veterans for their service. Councilman Bill Dennon, who picked up the donated paint at a Sherwin Williams store and helped paint the spaces, expressed his hope that this method of honoring veterans (the first in Pennsylvania) will be replicated in other communities.



The turnout for the dedication included several veterans – the people the reserved parking space is meant to honor.



Flanked by Mayor Michael Ciach (far right), Councilman Bill Dennon comments on the new veterans-only parking space.



Two gallons of paint did not cover the two parking spaces, so more paint will be added to complete the job later.

### **Council Discussing Fire Pits**

One of the topics discussed at Borough Council's Oct. 11 caucus session was whether or not to allow fire pits on residential properties. Under the existing borough ordinance, fire pits are distinguished from barbeque grills and are not permitted.

Council President Christine Peterson raised the subject, noting that backyard fire pits are often enjoyed in autumn. Although a fire pit can be utilized for grilling purposes, they are more commonly used like a campfire, where people gather around to chat and relax, and often roast marshmallows or hotdogs.

Peterson said that allowing fire pits would require a property inspection by a fire chief or fire marshal, then a borough permit (\$ amount TBD) would need to be obtained. A minimum setback of 25 feet from all structures would be necessary for safety, so not all properties in Upland would qualify, including the Delaware County housing complex and Auburn Village rental units, where open space is limited.

To make future use of fire pits legal, Council would need to amend the public safety ordinance in the borough code.

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### **Newsletter Renewed For 2017**

Council recently voted unanimously to extend the contract to continue to produce a monthly newsletter through December 2017. *The Uplander* was initially launched as a quarterly in August 2009, then became a monthly publication in January 2012.

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### **Wall Extension Bid Approved**

On Oct. 11, four submitted bids were opened and the low-bidder was approved, as Council tries to get the wall extension project for the southwest corner of Sixth & Main back on track. Extending the Main Street wall and landscaping the corner was supposed to be a 2014 Community Development Block Grant improvement, but a combination of unexpected delays and technical hurdles have kept the project in Limbo for two years.

To reactivate the stalled project, Council modified the specs (changing from a stone wall to concrete) and rebid the work twice. The second bidding round generated bids as high as \$84,825, but the low bid of \$28,240 from Moore Outdoor Rejuvenation, of Glen Mills, was what Council was looking for all along.

Now that a bid has been received within the amount of the 2014 CDBG funding, this public improvement project can once again move forward, as weather permits.

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### **Auburn Village Vacancies Down**

Borough officials are pleased to announce that the spate of vacancies that hit the borough-owned Auburn Village complex over the summer months has been significantly reduced. This summer saw a high of 15 vacancies in the 156-unit complex, but as of early October, all but four rental units had been occupied again.

### **Leaf Collections Pending**

Upland Borough's Highway Department is currently shorthanded, so curbside leaf collections will be done throughout November and December, as weather and personnel allow. Please rake leaves to the curb, but not into the street.

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### **Council Amends Police Pension Plan**

Borough Council has approved an update of the Upland Police Pension Plan, retroactive back to Jan. 1, 2016.

The Upland Police Pension Plan was first established in 1984, when the Upland PD was essentially a one-man operation. Today, the Upland police force is 20 officers strong, so the pension plan needed to be updated.

To keep pace with the times, Council has adopted the restated Master Plan and Trust that is currently administered by the Pennsylvania State Association of Boroughs Municipal Retirement Trust. Together with the accompanying Joinder Agreement, these two documents now constitute the retirement plan known as the Upland Police Pension Plan.

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### **Code Enforcement Officer Busy**

According to the monthly report of Code Enforcement Officer Bill Kirby, a total of 50 citations were issued to Upland property owners during the month of September 2016. The citations were warranted to address a variety of property maintenance issues and borough code violations.

Kirby also reported that nine municipal liens have been placed on Upland properties so far in 2016, as the borough tries to collect unpaid citation fines from chronic violators.

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### **Fire Company Plans Christmas Tree Sales**

Members of Upland Fire Company No. 1 will be holding a holiday-related fundraiser in December.

For the first time, our fire company will be selling Christmas trees in the weeks leading up to Christmas. Upland firefighters are teaming up with the members of the Ogden Fire Co. to split the proceeds from tree sales, but the trees will be displayed at the Ogden firehouse, located on the south side of Naaman's Creek Road (#4300) in Upper Chichester Township (Boothwyn).

**Any pre-paid tree can be delivered to Upland residents for free, if requested.**

**For more information or to place an order, send email to [ufcfund57@yahoo.com](mailto:ufcfund57@yahoo.com) or contact Monica at 610-364-6701 or [432009@hotmail.com](mailto:432009@hotmail.com).**

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### **Halloween Hours**

**Upland Borough's official hours for Trick-or-Treating on Halloween Night (Monday, Oct. 31) are 6 to 8pm. Costumed children and handing-out households are asked to respect these time limits to help promote public safety.**

## Important Election For 159<sup>th</sup> District

The Republican Party has endorsed Upland Mayor Michael Ciach for another run at the vacated 159<sup>th</sup> Legislative District seat in the Pennsylvania State House of Representatives. Ciach challenged incumbent Democrat Thaddeus Kirkland in 2014, but came up short, although he did carry the vote in 8 out of the 10 towns in the district.

Ciach, a Chester native and 40+ year resident of Upland, hopes to clear the hurdle of also winning over the majority of voters in the City of Chester and Chester Township in his 2016 bid.

With Kirkland now moving into his new post as Chester's Mayor, Ciach's opponent at the polls on Nov. 8 will be Kirkland's nephew, Brian Kirkland. Both candidates were uncontested in the April 26 primary election.

Mayor Ciach noted that although he was born in the City of Chester, Upland has been his home for most of his life, in fact, since the third grade.

*"I love this borough and it has been the keystone of my support," Ciach recently stated. "Over the last 30 years of public service to the borough, either as Coach, Councilman, or Mayor, I have received your unwavering support, and I vow to you that I will continue to serve this borough with a steadfast and unconditional resolve to keep Upland Borough the safe, honest, family town that I know it to be. Whether I'm in the Capitol Building in Harrisburg or in MacQueen Hall in Upland, NOBODY, no matter who they are or who they think they are, will stand between me and that promise. I only ask this of you: your continued support and trust."*

## Senior Musings

- Kids today don't know how easy they have it. When I was young, I had to walk nine feet across the room through shag carpet just to change the channel.
- Remember back when we were kids, and how they closed school every time we had an inch of snow or the temperature dipped below zero? Yeah, me neither.
- The best part about being over 60 is learning something new every day ... and that's especially important now, considering that I forget at least five other things.
- A recent study found that women who carry a little extra weight live much longer than the men who mention it.
- I may not be that funny or smart or talented, and I may not be as athletic or good-looking as I once was, but ... oh damn, I forget where I was going with this!

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## Borough Office Closed

Please note that the Upland Borough office on the ground floor of MacQueen Hall will be closed on the following dates in November:

**General Election Day – Tuesday, Nov. 8**

**Veterans' Day – Friday, Nov. 11**

**Thanksgiving Day – Thursday, Nov. 24**

**'Black Friday' – Friday, Nov. 25**

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## Borough Council Meetings

6pm caucus; 7pm regular voting session  
Tuesday **Nov. 15**, Dec. 13 and Jan. 10  
on ground floor of MacQueen Hall

**\*\*\*Please note: Nov. meeting is third Tuesday\*\*\***

## Monday Night VBS

6 to 7pm every Monday evening  
at Upland Baptist Church

**Open to children pre-K to 5<sup>th</sup> grade**

**Includes activity/craft, Bible lesson, and dinner**

## Welcome Day Celebration

12 to 4pm on Saturday, Oct. 29

at Caleb Pusey House on Race Street

**Free Admission; Food and drinks available**

**Featuring Colonial Re-enactor Noah Lewis as Ned Hector**

## Annual Youth Halloween Party

4 to 6pm on Saturday, Oct. 29

at MacQueen Hall

**For children up to age 12**

**Attendees must bring proof of residence**



## Annual Trunk-or-Treat



6 to 7pm on Monday, Oct. 31

at Upland Baptist Church

## Daylight Savings Time Ends

Sunday, Nov. 6

**Turn clocks back one hour**



## General Election Day



Tuesday, Nov. 8

**Polls are open from 7am to 8pm**

**\*\*\* PLEASE EXERCISE YOUR RIGHT TO VOTE \*\*\***

## Free Thanksgiving Dinner for Seniors

6 to 8pm on Saturday, Nov. 12

at MacQueen Hall

**All Upland senior citizens are invited,  
but must register with the boro office by Nov. 4**



## Free Community Thanksgiving Dinner

4 to 6pm on Saturday, Nov. 19

at Resurrection Life Church, 8<sup>th</sup> & Church Sts.

## Holiday Tree Lighting /Santa Visit

Starts at 6pm on Friday, Nov. 25

at MacQueen Hall

**Photos with Santa indoors,  
immediately following outdoor tree lighting**

**Parents of Upland children (under age 10) must register  
at boro office by Nov. 4 to receive gift from Santa**

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## Sergeant Albany Remembered

At Borough Council's Oct. 11 meeting, Councilman Dick McClintock dedicated a moment of silence to the memory of Upland Police Sergeant Morris J. Albany, Jr., recognizing the week as the 40th anniversary of Albany's death. Albany is the only Upland police officer ever killed in the line of duty.

Albany grew up in Upland and graduated from Eddystone High School in 1958. He then served four years in the US Navy, before starting his law enforcement career in 1965 as a part-time Upland police officer.

Around 9:50pm on Oct. 13, 1976, Sgt. Albany was off duty, when he tried to thwart a robbery at John's Bar in Chester. The policeman wrestled with one of the two armed suspects, until Albany was shot in the chest and died shortly thereafter at the scene. The sergeant managed to get off a gunshot of his own, hitting the perp in the spine and paralyzing him from the waist down. Both robbery suspects were arrested and ultimately sentenced to life in prison. Albany was married and the father of twin daughters at the time of his death.

An estimated 1,400 uniformed and non-uniformed police officers from seven different states attended the heroic sergeant's funeral.

On Saturday, Dec. 3, 2016, a special wreath-laying service will be held at Sgt. Albany's grave in the Immaculate Heart of Mary Cemetery (1701 Market St., Chichester), where Albany's sacrifice will be honored by the Philadelphia Fallen Heroes Wreath Program every year henceforth.

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The Upland Police Department is currently in the midst of changing its colors, moving to a traditional black and white combo for its vehicles. The 2011 Dodge Charger in the Upland PD fleet (left) was recently repainted and decaled to match two 2017 Ford Interceptors purchased this year.

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### Police Officers Working For You

According to the police activity summary read at Borough Council's Oct. 11 meeting, Upland police officers have been busy keeping the borough's roadways safe for residents.

During the month of September, 165 citations were issued, most of which were traffic citations. As of the end of September, Upland officers had written a total of 1,302 citations in 2016.

Forty-two parking tickets were issued in September, and there were nine reported motor vehicle accidents on borough roads during that month.

The Upland PD has towed a total of 113 vehicles so far this year.

The police department answered 308 calls in September, bringing the total call volume for this year up to 4,060 calls.



Upland Fire Company No. 1 drew a crowd to its Oct. 10 Open House event, where household fire safety was the theme for the day.

*(Photos courtesy of George Patterson)*



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Autumn has arrived! – Ah, how the cool nights make good sleeping weather...Can leaf raking be far behind?

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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)

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## IN MEMORIAM – REST IN PEACE



Councilwoman Sandra (nee Kirby) Miazza passed away on July 4, after a yearlong battle with pancreatic cancer.

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Mrs. Judith (nee Kirby) Bush, of Sixth Street, was sworn in on July 12 to complete the remaining 17 months of the unexpired Council term of her older sister, Sandy Miazza. While Mayor Michael Ciach swore in the new Council member, her daughter, Meghan, held the Bible. Bush, age 56, is a lifetime Uplander, who has previously served the borough as a member of the Vacancy Board and a Community Affairs Committee volunteer, while also serving the past 10 years as a Republican committeewoman.

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### Recycling Changes Put On Hold

In an effort to combat the rising cost of providing Upland residents with the convenience of curbside recycling collections, borough officials had hoped to start separate collections for newspapers and cans in July. Single stream recycling (the current system), where all recyclables are collected together, is now more expensive than regular trash collections, prompting Borough Council to consider changes.

Hoping to institute changes by July 1, Council had discussed this situation on multiple occasions in May and June, only to ultimately realize that the proposed collection changes would be more difficult than expected at this time.

Since the borough engineer recently prepared the specifications for Upland's next five-year trash contract (covering 2017 to 2022), borough officials are now thinking that January (at the start of the new contract) would be the best time to make changes to recycling collections.

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### Trash Contract Awarded

After receiving three bids for the next trash and recycling collections contract, which will cover the years 2017 through 2022, Borough Council has awarded the contract to B & L Disposal Services – the low bidder and the borough's current collector.

Under the approved contract, the borough will pay \$97,035 for the first year of the contract, then a sliding scale will incrementally bring the annual charge up to \$109,165 for the fifth year.

The new contract includes the collection of regular trash (every Monday and Thursday, excepting holidays), recycling (on the first and third Friday of each month), and bulk trash pick-ups (on the last Wednesday of each month).

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### Upland Historical Commission Reinstated

All five of the charter members of the Upland Historical Commission were reinstated with new two-year terms at Council's Aug. 23 session. The reappointed members include Chairman Lou Brown and Upland residents Tom Bryant, Brian Davis, Sandra Deldeo, and Brock Peterson.

Charged with the mission of preserving Upland Borough's historic resources, the UHC recently recommended Borough Council's denial of a demolition permit for Sunnyside House (built in 1863) on Upland Avenue.

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### Officer Goes 'Extra Yard' During Traffic Stop

The recent actions of part-time Upland Police Officer Daniel Lemmon gave law enforcement agents everywhere a welcomed shot in the arm.

Officer Lemmon recently pulled over a young motorist for a routine traffic stop and found that the driver did not have all the proper paperwork in hand. Although citations could have been issued right there and then, the officer used good judgment in making a couple of phone calls to eventually get the situation satisfactorily resolved, all without punitive measures taken.

When commending Lemmon's actions, Mayor Michael Ciach and Acting-Police Chief Michael Irey did not give all the details of the traffic stop, but Irey said that Lemmon had gone "the extra yard." It was noted that the driver's grateful parent had written a letter to the Upland PD, stating that "it just goes to show that all police officers aren't out to get you."

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### Fire Chief Earns Certifications

Upland Fire Chief Dan Smith recently completed the course work required to earn two federal fire safety certifications, including Technical Search Specialist (utilizing sonar devices to locate persons trapped inside a collapsed building) and Structural Collapse Technician.

Smith received the special training and FEMA certifications as a member of the Delaware County Tactical Rescue Team.

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### 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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### Upland Finds Stray Solution

The problem of how to process stray dogs and cats has plagued every Delco municipality since the Delaware County SPCA stopped being the repository for such animals a few years ago. A stop-gap measure has been employing the Chester County SPCA for handling strays, but a recently proposed contract renewal with the same shelter (now called Brandywine SPCA) was labelled as "outrageous" by Upland officials, leaving the borough no immediate options for stray services.

At Council's May 23 session, a short-term solution to the stray problem was unanimously approved. Animal Control Officer Allen Strickler has agreed to take stray dogs and cats to the Conchester Animal Hospital on Rte. 322. Whenever possible, the CAH will record the drivers' license and phone number of the animal's owner, so the borough can bill for reimbursement. Any stray dog or cat that is not picked up by its owners within three (3) days will then be sent to a rescue.

The stray handling agreement applies only to dogs and cats. If a resident has an issue with a wild animal on their property, the Upland Police Department should be called first (at **610-872-3040**), then the property owner would need to call Mr. Strickler directly (at **610-485-2770**) to find a solution to the problem.

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### Neighbor Suspects Illegal Tenants

A Scott Avenue resident recently came before Council to ask how the borough can determine if too many renters are occupying a house.

After months of observation, the suspicious resident is convinced that the rental property next door is over-occupied. He claims that groups of three or four different tenants "come in shifts," often arriving at night and carrying luggage. He noted that it is difficult to be sure how many people are living in the rental unit at any given time, but guessed that the head count has exceeded a dozen on occasion.

Under the borough code, no more than two people can occupy a bedroom, so a dozen tenants living in one rental unit would clearly be a code violation.

The borough keeps tabs on building occupancy through Use & Occupancy permits, but renters who are shuffling tenants in and out on a regular basis could be difficult to monitor and regulate.

Council thanked the resident for reporting the potential code violations and asked him to remain vigilant, noting that over-occupying a house is a fire safety hazard.

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### Fireworks Wow Crowd



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While hundreds of residents staked out their viewing spots on Bristol Lord Field (ABOVE), the volunteer members of Upland Fire Company No. 1 (BELOW) had a successful fundraiser, offering refreshments and glow sticks, and selling out virtually all items.



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### Boro Relinquishes 'Taken' Property

On May 1, 2015, Upland Borough filed a declaration of taking in the Court of Common Pleas of Delaware County to take ownership of 3702 Sixth Street, under the Eminent Domain Code.

In the interim, the borough has not made any payments, nor has the condemnee tendered possession of the property.

Since the borough has not taken actual possession of the property, pursuant to the declaration of taking, the borough has now opted to revoke the condemnation proceedings, relinquish title to said premises, and re-vest the condemnee with a fee simple or absolute title.

### 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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### Spaghetti Dinner Raises Funds



The Annual Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser (which was canceled last year, due to the failing health of Master Chef/Councilwoman Sandy Miazza) was held in MacQueen Hall on Sept. 24, with Sandy's sister, Councilwoman Judy Bush (right), and Council VP Moira Crawford stepping up to handle the kitchen duties.



And even though the Spaghetti Dinner was held to raise money, it also provided another chance for families to spend quality time together.



### Council OKs New FOP Contract

At its Aug. 23 meeting, Borough Council unanimously approved a new five-year collective bargaining agreement with the Fraternal Order of Police. The pact is retroactive to Jan. 1, 2016 and will be in effect until Dec. 31, 2020.

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### Parking Tax Revenue Earmarked

Borough Council has taken the formal step of changing the official stated use of revenue received through the commercial parking tax that was enacted in 2010. Applicable only to the parking facilities at Crozer-Chester Medical Center, the parking tax generates roughly \$125,000 in borough revenue annually, although the dollar amounts do vary from year to year.

Previously, parking tax revenue had been earmarked for improvements to either the Reese Center (on West 24<sup>th</sup> Street) or the Netherleigh Mansion Carriage House (at Camp Upland), but now those funds are officially designated "100 percent to be allocated and accrued for Upland Borough improvement projects." By generalizing the intended use of parking tax revenue, Council gives itself greater flexibility in discretionary spending.

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### Council Moves To Fund Pensions

At Council's Sept. 13 meeting, the Minimum Municipal Obligation for two borough employee pension plans was committed to the 2017 budget. The state generally contributes about 70% of the total required to fund municipal pension plans.

Next year's estimated payroll for the Upland Police Department is \$279,700. The pension plans are funded at a percentage of total payroll, which means that the borough will be setting aside \$64,334 to fund this pension plan in 2017. Police officers will not make any contributions to their own pensions.

Next year's estimated payroll for non-uniformed borough employees is \$375,588. The borough will earmark \$42,677 to fund this pension plan in 2017. Similar to police personnel, non-uniformed employees will not have to contribute any portion of their wages to fund their own pension plans.

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### Upland To Auction Off Cars

The borough office has found reasonable fees associated with using the Municibid website to auction off used vehicles, so another one of the oldest cars in the Upland Police Department fleet has been approved for disposal through Municibid. A 2011 Dodge Charger with 90,000 miles on the odometer will be the next used police car to be placed on the online auction block.

The borough recently got rid of its two oldest vehicles (a 2004 Ford Crown Victoria with 132,785 miles, most recently used as a Code Enforcement vehicle, and a 2008 Crown Vic with only 82,404 miles, but with a blown motor) by utilizing Municibid, and found the process to be both painless and profitable, as opposed to selling each vehicle privately.



**Prior to the Labor Day fireworks display, the pavilion at Bristol Lord Field became a biker hangout.**

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### **No Bidders For Police Motorcycle**

A scheduled bid opening on Aug. 25 found that no bids had been received for the Upland Police Department's new motorcycle unit.

It is most likely all the extra equipment and accessories that a police motorcycle needs that dissuaded the general public from presenting any bids on the heavy-duty bike, speculated Borough Engineer Dan Archdeacon, filling in for Lisa Catania. Despite the apparent lack of interest, the borough will offer the opportunity for open bidding one more time. If no bids are received again, the borough will move to buy the motorcycle through other channels. The Upland PD has been without a motorcycle unit since last October, when the department's two-year-old 1600cc Harley Davidson was totaled in a traffic accident at the Kerlin St./Upland Ave. intersection.

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### **Sewer Lateral Jetting Made Optional**

After delaying action on a proposed amendment to the sewer lateral inspection ordinance that was adopted in 2012, Borough Council voted on Sept. 13 to approve a modified version of the amended language. The issue was thoroughly discussed during Council's pre-meeting caucus session, where elected officials agreed to make pre-inspection jetting of sewer laterals an option, and not a mandate.

At its Aug. 23 meeting, Council was prepared to vote on an amendment that would have required jetting as a precursor to all lateral camera inspections. The thinking was that jetting would remove the fine debris that could cause a lateral to unnecessarily fail a video inspection. But after a resident made an impassioned plea for Council to rethink the jetting requirement, a three-week reprieve was granted.

The subsequent caucus discussion ultimately found borough officials agreeing to make jetting an option for homeowners, which would offer a potential cost savings to residents who are preparing to sell their home, but would not force anyone to spend the extra money, prior to an inspection.

The inspection ordinance language changes that were approved are as follows:

1. **Closed Circuit Video recordings shall be used as the primary testing/inspection method for all laterals that have been in service for 10 years or more.**
  - A. **Proper cleaning of lateral by jetting may be voluntarily completed prior to video recording.**
  - B. **Evaluation of the said lateral will be performed by the borough engineer or his/her designee.**

*"If you don't want to have (jetting) done, and want to take your chances and have the camera run, feel free,"* Council President Christine Peterson said during caucus.

The heart of the ordinance, which requires all residents to get a sewer lateral inspection prior to selling their home, remains unchanged and intact. Council members did note, however, that the borough's list of "approved" inspection companies is only a suggestion list. Residents can hire any qualified agent to do the lateral inspection, provided that the proper equipment is used.

It was also noted that Upland Borough's plumbing inspector, Tom Kennedy, who is state certified as a sewer lateral inspector, has the final word on whether a lateral passes or fails a video inspection. After Council had voted unanimously to adopt the modified amendment to the sewer lateral ordinance, the same resident who stopped the August vote made one last attempt to get the ordinance revoked, once again arguing that the borough had no authority to regulate private property.

*"I respect your opinions, but it's not going to change. It is what it is now,"* Peterson told the complainant. *"People asked us to revisit (the ordinance), and we did revisit it....Now we've beaten this to death,"* she added.

When the resident tried to keep the discussion going, Peterson turned to Council.

*"Is anyone inclined to look at this one more time?"* Peterson asked her fellow Council members, receiving no answers. *"Okay then, it's done!"* she asserted, bringing the sewer lateral inspection debate to a close.

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