

# The UPLANDER

**Spring Edition** 

The official newsletter of historic Upland Borough (Settled 1683; Incorporated 1869)

**March 2021** 

# Covid-19 DELCO Testing Availability

Beginning Tuesday, March 9, a long-term drive-thru COVID-19 testing site will open for Delaware County residents at the Armory located at 500 W. 24th Street.

No appointment is necessary. Testing is on a first-come,



first-serve basis and is completely free to all patients.

Patients must be ages three and older and are not required to show symptoms of COVID-19 in order to be tested. Up to 450 patients can be tested per day.

Mid-nasal passage swab PCR tests will be performed.

Patients are encouraged to bring a photo-ID or insurance card. Registration will also be completed on-site. The turnaround time for testing results is two to seven days after testing.

For further information contact the PA Department of Health at I-877-PA-HEALTH or visit: www.health.pa.gov.

# **Street Lights**

Council is currently reviewing to upgrade street signs throughout the borough. The goal is to keep functionality and mesh it with the charm of our town.

In addition to the new street signs, the upgrade is hopeful to have old fashioned solar lights with banner holders.

## **Memorial Wall**

The wall has been constructed by Zyla Landscaping. The laying of the bricks and shrubbery will commence when weather is permitting.



#### Car Cover Ordinance

President Peterson has stated "council is considering changes" to the ordinance and residents will be updated if/when this occurs.

# **Community Garden**

In the planning stages, the Borough wishes to use 3 Borough owned properties making them into Community Gardens. These unused properties would be transformed into neighborhood focal points where residents would be able to utilize planting beds for their gardens.

These public gardens would be shared by neighbors in a common activity, making these properties aesthetically pleasing and showing how our community can "GROW" together.



### **Main Street Wall Renovation**

Council discussed and voted on the two projects they wished to submit application for the annual "CDBG" Community Development Block Grant for 2022. The first choice is the restoration of the Main Street Wall and the second choice for the renovation/addition to MacQueen Hall.



Newly hired part-time officer Christopher Connelly took the oath of office at the March 9th Council Meeting. (L-R) Chief Irey, Officer Connolly, Mayor Dennon

## **Electronic Disposal**

It is unlawful to dispose of flatscreen televisions, tube televisions and computer monitors by placing them out on your front curb with regular trash.

You must contact a disposal company that handles this type of material and make arrangements directly with them.

Putting picture screens out on your front curb is a violation of the borough code and fines can and will be assessed. This practice violates the state DEP regulations as well!



For further questions, contact the office or go to: https://www.dep.pa.gov/Bus

https://www.dep.pa.gov/Business/Land/Waste/Recycling/Electronics/pages/default.aspx



## FOCUS ON UPLAND'S FIRST RESPONDERS



Lieutenant Curran has been with the Upland Borough Police Department since 2005 when he started his career under Captain Chuck Love as a part time patrol officer before being elevated to full time status.

Lieutenant Curran has performed various duties within the department including patrol, detective, and corporal before being promoted to Lieutenant in 2019 where he heads the department's special services unit.

Lt. Curran is one of only six Delaware County police officers to hold certification as a drug recognition expert (DRE) and heads the Southeast

Delaware County Task Force comprised of 12 police departments county wide who participate in traffic safety initiatives.



Upland Police Dept. Lieutenant Mick Curran

Barbara Doyle has resided in Upland since 1958 and retired from Main Street School in 2014 after 44 years of service.

She has been a member of "UFC" since 1983, making history being the first woman firefighter and currently holding the office of Treasurer.

Barbara enjoys crocheting, fishing, reading, bingo and most

of all time spent with her 8 grandchildren, 15 great grandchildren and 1 great great grandchild.

In one word, you an describe Barbara Doyle as "ACTIVE".



Upland Fire Co. #I Barbara Doyle



# AROUND THE BOROUGH



Upland Fire Co. #I serving the Borough since 1926.
All those who wish to volunteer are welcome!
Contact (610) 874-4885.

#### Food Bank

At this trying time and the spirit of neighbor helping neighbor, the Food Bank is in operation at the Upland Baptist Church every Wednesday, 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.

# **Upland Baptist Church**

The Upland Baptist Church has resumed in church worship on Sunday mornings at 10 .a.m. and is still being live streamed on uplandbaptistchurch.com

Winners of the annual Holiday Decorating Contest are:

Ist place - 1217 Oak Lane - \$100 2nd place - 407 9th Street - \$50 3rd place - 506 Front Street - \$25

# UPCOMING BOROUGH 2021 SPONSORED EVENTS

Events may be revised, canceled or adjusted depending on restrictions in place due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

Must wear masks and adhere to any social distancing requirements!

**Easter Egg Hunt** 

March 27, 2021 @ 9:00 a.m. Bristol Lord Field

### Celebration with the Easter Bunny

March 27, 2021@ 9:30 a.m.

Held in Bristol Lord Field

Lite refreshments served from the Pavilion,

while supplies last!

Photos with the Easter Bunny!

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#### **Movie in Bristol Lord Field**

April 24, 2021 @ dusk
Family Friendly Movie to be announced
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#### Movie in Bristol Lord Field

May 22, 2021 @ dusk
Family Friendly Movie to be announced

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#### Carnival

May 26—29, 2021 Bristol Lord Field

#### **Memorial Day Festivities**

May 31, 2021

**Annual Parade** 

Starts at 9:00 a.m.

#### War Memorial Service

Starts at approximately 10:00 a.m.

#### Memorial Day Picnic-Take Out

Starts at 11:00 a.m. until meals are gone!

PLEASE VISIT THE
BOROUGH WEBSITE
@ UPLANDBORO.ORG
FOR UP TO DATE INFORMATION!



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## **Community Affairs Events**

The Upland Borough Community Affairs Association has recently been approved for non-profit status with the IRS.

The first event of 2021 was held on Monday, January 18, 2021 - Service Day honoring Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Approximately 10 volunteers including members of the "CAC" participated. They walked the borough cleaning parks/properties of debris.

The first fundraiser of the season, Soup & Salad, was held on February 13, 2021. Although it was strictly a take-out event, all went off without a hitch. The success was outstanding consuming 28 gallons of chicken & dumplings and chili—not a drop was left.

St. Patty's Day Ham & Cabbage was held for our resident senior citizens on March 8<sup>th</sup> at MacQueen Hall. This was a take-out only event which had approximately 60 seniors take advantage.



Same activities....different approach to adhere to restrictions in place due to Covid-19.

The Upland Borough Community

Affairs Committee/Association

(L-R) Co-Chair/Assoc. Vice-President Councilwoman Judy Bush, Co-Chair/Assoc. President Councilwoman Moira Crawford, & Member/Assoc. Secretary Councilwoman Julie Kerns





The "CAC" preparing and distributing Ham & Cabbage lunches to borough senior citizens

#### IN THE SPOTLIGHT...

Moira Crawford has spent her entire life on the same block. The middle child of Jane, she was appointed to Borough Council in 2008.

Currently, Moira serves as Vice President, chair to Finance & Insurance and Personnel Committees as well as co-chair to the "CAC" (Community Affairs Committee). She was also chair to the Sesquicentennial Committee in 2019.

Some of Moira's favorite things are spending time with family, friends, routing on the Phillies & Eagles, and keeping up with all sports news. Among things close to her heart are pediatric cancer research, public safety, animal safety, education and respectful leadership.

"To be able to serve the community I grew up in is such a privilege and I take pride in that accomplishment".



Councilwoman Moira Crawford