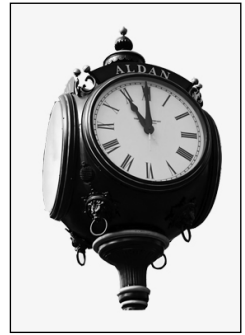


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NEW UPGRADES FOR ALDAN



With the support of State Rep. Mike Zabel, Aldan Borough received a \$20,000 grant through the Department of Community and Economic Development.

“These state funds will improve the safety and security in our community. It’s rewarding to see this money going to projects with impactful results. My office remains committed to helping our local municipalities secure the money and assistance they need from the state,” Rep. Zabel said.

The grant helped Aldan purchase:

- A generator for the municipal building to assist workers and law enforcement during electrical outages.

- Security cameras to oversee the park at Aldan Elementary School.
- Security cameras along Providence Rd at the Woodlawn Ave & Clifton Ave intersections for real-time images to decrease response times for emergencies and offer points of reference for accidents.
- A key-entry system at the municipal building to improve security.

Earlier in 2020 Rep. Zabel also helped Aldan acquire four-way stop signs at the corner of Clifton Avenue and Magnolia Avenue to try to decrease traffic accidents at this notoriously dangerous intersection.



COVID-19 UPDATES

- Testing Information
- Community Resources
- Business Resources
- FAQs and more

Call 610-344-6225 or go to delcopa.gov

L-R (both images): State Rep. Mike Zabel; Joyce Lambert, Vice President of Borough Council; John White, Borough Manager

BLACK LIVES MATTER RALLY



On June 13th Aldan residents came together along Providence Road in full recognition that Black Lives Matter, in demand of justice for black lives, and united against racism. The demonstration was organized by the ADO’s own Rachel Milano-Davis and Robert Davis.

ALDAN PRIDE



Michael T. Roberts, MFA and Christopher Wilson, PhD pose in front of the pride flag in Aldan.

Thanks to the efforts of lifelong resident Michael T. Roberts & our Democratic Majority Borough Council, on June 23rd the Pride Flag was raised for the first time recognizing Pride month right here in Aldan.

URGENT: 2020 CENSUS DEADLINE IS NOW SEPTEMBER 30

The US Census Bureau, under the Trump administration, has moved up the deadline for counting the US population to 9/30, a month earlier than expected.

The census provides critical data that is used to provide billions of dollars in federal funding for hospitals, fire departments, schools, roads, and other resources for you and the community for the next 10 years! For every person not counted in the census, we all miss out on \$20,000 of funding over the next decade.

The results of the census also determine the number of seats each state will have in the U.S. House of Representatives, and they are used to draw congressional and state legislative districts. Make sure you're counted and that all of PA is represented in Harrisburg and in Washington DC.

If you haven't already, you still have time to be counted before the deadline of September 30, 2020! You do not need to be a US citizen to fill out the census, and it will not ask about your citizenship status.

**Complete your questionnaire online at
<https://my2020census.gov/> or by phone 844-330-2020.**

census facts

2020 Census data will help inform how billions of dollars are distributed to states and communities every year for the next 10 years.



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The 2020 Census will determine how many congressional representatives each state gets.



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GET INVOLVED WITH THE ADO

Let's face it, 2020 has been a uniquely challenging year. While 2020 is a monumentally important election year, democracy continues every year, every day in every community.

The ADO is your local Democratic Committee that works to make change right here in Aldan. The group is responsible for local voter outreach, supporting local officials & informing the public about important legislation and local matters through The Aldan Chronicle newsletter.

In order to keep the wheels of democracy turning here in Aldan, the ADO needs your support. How can you make an impact now?

- Join us as a member and attend monthly meetings
- Phone bank or canvass to get our message out to voters
- Volunteer at the polls
- Run for local office in 2021
- Make a donation

Contact us to learn how you can get involved!

Phone: 610-626-6074

E-mail: info@aldandemocrats.com

www.aldandemocrats.com

P. O. Box 655, Aldan, PA 19018

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MAKE A DIFFERENCE: RUN FOR OFFICE

As we all hold our breath for the arrival of a post-Trump world, it is important for us to start thinking about the roles each of us can play in our community. Arguably the place we can each have the most direct impact and do the most good is at the local level, including serving in our local government.

In 2021, the citizens of Aldan will be voting on six local government positions: Mayor, Tax Collector, Constable, and three positions on the Borough Council.

In Pennsylvania boroughs, the Council is the legislative body that sets the millage rate for property taxes, determines a borough budget, and passes local ordinances. The primary responsibility of the Borough Mayor is the oversight of the police department. The Tax Collector collects tax revenues and reports to Council on any delinquencies, and the Constable is a law-enforcement officer who works primarily to enforce the summonses and other orders of local Magisterial District Judges.

All of these positions are four-year terms, with the exception of the Constable, which is a six-year term.

In 2017, Jerry Barber became the first Democrat ever elected to a borough-wide office in the 124-year history of Aldan when he was elected to serve as Tax Collector. As a result, he will be the only Democrat running for re-election in 2021. The other five positions up for election are currently held by Republicans.

In 2019, history was made again when every Democratic candidate running in Aldan, including four Council positions and the school board member, won their races.

Looking ahead to 2021, the Aldan Democratic Organization (ADO) encourages **any Democrats in Aldan who are interested in serving their community by running for local office to email info@aldandemocrats.com**. The candidate petitions must be completed in February in order to qualify for the ballot in the spring primary election. The ADO is eager to prepare our candidates to be the best representatives of the people and to help bring about real change with the first all-Democratic Council elected in the history of our borough.

HOW TO VOTE IN 2020

Register to vote or change your address by October 19, 2020: [VotesPA.com/Register](https://www.votespa.com/register)

Not sure if you are registered, or at what address? [VotesPA.com/Status](https://www.votespa.com/status)

Vote by Mail

1. Request a mail-in ballot online at [VotesPA.com/ApplyMailBallot](https://www.votespa.com/applymailballot) or call 1-877-868-3772 to get a paper application. Do this **NOW!** If you wait until October, you may not receive your ballot in time.
2. If you requested a mail-in ballot for the primary, you may already be slated to get one for the general. Check your status at [VotesPA.com/MailBallotStatus](https://www.votespa.com/mailballotstatus) - if there is an "application received date" next to 2020 GENERAL ELECTION, you do not need to apply again (call Delaware County at 610-891-4659 with questions)
3. Ballots will begin to go out in mid-September. When your ballot arrives in the mail, fill it out and return it **IMMEDIATELY**. You will not need a stamp, since federal coronavirus aid is paying for the postage this year. The Postal Service has stated that there may be increased mail times close to Election Day due to the volume of mail-in votes. As of this printing, if your ballot is not received in Media by 8:00 p.m. on Election Day, it will not be counted, regardless of the postmark.
4. Once you mail your ballot back, you can check whether it has been received at [VotesPA.com/MailBallotStatus](https://www.votespa.com/mailballotstatus)
5. If you don't want to use the Postal Service to return your mail-in ballot, you can hand carry it to the Election Bureau in Media (contact information at [VotesPA.com/County](https://www.votespa.com/county)). Please note that you can only deliver your own ballot. The County is working on a plan for drop boxes, but as of this printing the courts have not yet decided whether that will be permitted.

Vote in Person

1. If you did not request a mail-in ballot or did not receive your mail-in ballot in time, you may vote in person on November 3rd.
2. Wear a mask to keep yourself and our poll workers safe.
3. Be prepared to wait in line.
4. Polls will be open from 7:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. If you are in line by 8:00 p.m., you will be permitted to vote. Find your polling place at [VotesPA.com/Polls](https://www.votespa.com/polls)

NOTE: THERE IS NO LONGER A STRAIGHT PARTY TICKET OPTION FOR VOTING IN PENNSYLVANIA. There will be no X on the ballot to vote for all the Democrats at once. Whether you vote by mail or in person, you will need to mark off each candidate individually all the way down.

DINING WITH THE ADO

Small businesses have been devastated by the COVID-19 pandemic and restaurants have been hit especially hard. The ADO encourages everyone to support a local restaurant and help them get through these unprecedented times. Some of our favorites include The Broadway, The Clam Tavern, Femi's, Pines Diner/Chris's Pizza, and Golden Kitchen. Order takeout today and help support a local small business!

Golden Kitchen

426 N Springfield Rd #1304, Clifton Heights, PA 19018
Phone: (610) 626-2888

Chris's Pizza

500 E Providence Rd, Aldan, PA 19018
Phone: (610) 622-6050

Pines Café

500 E Providence Rd, Aldan, PA 19018
Phone: (484) 461-3101

Femi's

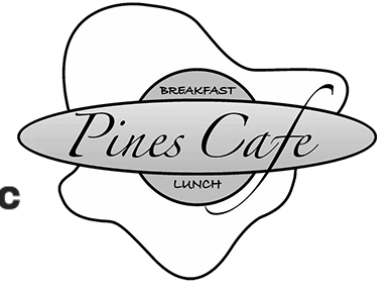
907 Clifton Ave, Collingdale, PA 19023
Phone: (610) 583-2588

Broadway Bar & Grille

329 E Broadway Ave, Clifton Heights, PA 19018
Phone: (484) 461-2802

Clam Tavern

339 E Broadway Ave, Clifton Heights, PA 19018
Phone: (610) 623-9537



The Original
CLAM TAVERN



COMMUNITY CALENDAR

- **September 18, 2020 at 7:30pm:** Aldan Planning Commission Meeting via Zoom ID:841 6752 4525 Password on aldan-boro.org under "News"
- **September 19, 2020 at 5pm:** Dining Under the Stars at the Colonial Playhouse
- **September 23, 2020 at 6:30pm:** Public Health in the Time of COVID virtual talk with Rep. Zabel. Email RepZabel@pahouse.net to receive a link to the online event.
- **September 25-27, 2020:** Colonial Playhouse Parking Lot Theater
- **September 30, 2020 at 6:30pm:** Mental Health & Wellness During the Time of COVID virtual talk with Rep. Zabel. Email RepZabel@pahouse.net to receive a link to the online event
- **October 7, 2020 at 6:30pm:** Talking to Kids About Health and Wellness virtual talk with Rep. Zabel. Email RepZabel@pahouse.net to receive a link to the online event
- **October 7, 2020 at 7:30pm:** Borough Council Caucus Meeting via Zoom
- **October 14, 2020 at 7:30pm:** Borough Council Meeting via Zoom
- **October 16-18, 2020:** Colonial Playhouse Parking Lot Theater
- **October 19, 2020:** Voter registration deadline
- **November 3, 2020 7:00am to 8:00pm:** Election Day!

