



# **UDHS Purple & Gold**





This month's cute photo is of "Chrome," a kitten found in the Junior Center in late October. She captured everyone's hearts and went home with Mrs. Wisniewski. Chrome is now named Charlotte.

Have a story to share? We'd like to hear from you! Please contact Dianne Zoccola at <a href="mailto:dzoccola@upperdarbysd.org">dzoccola@upperdarbysd.org</a>







## Marching Royals in the News

#### Marching Royals Take the Bronze in a National Competition

The Marching Royals had an incredible performance at the USBands 5A National Championship on November 3. The competition was held in Allentown, PA. The Royals earned the bronze medal and scored 93.1. The competition was tight, with the top three bands all within 1.5 points. The Royals won with a significant 2-point lead over fourth place. The Royals also brought home the award for Best Overall Percussion.

Says Director of Bands Doug Ballard, "This season has been a remarkable journey for the students, as they consistently performed at their best and often received the highest scores at various shows. Their hard work, dedication, and enthusiasm were evident in every performance, and they made Upper Darby proud."



The Brass Section



**Displaying Their Medals** 



**The Percussion Section** 

### **Marching Band Participate in Camp Out for Hunger**

On Monday, December 2, the Marching Royals performed live on WMMR's Preston and Steve Show's annual Campout for Hunger. A food drive held just before Thanksgiving netted a donation of 966 pounds of food.

### Academic Spotlight

#### Model UN

Last month, the Upper Darby High School Model UN Club attended the South Jersey Model United Nations conference, where each student mastered the basics of parliamentary procedure, as well as presented research papers and engaged in moderated and unmoderated caucuses. helping to write resolutions. Congratulations to our future diplomats!





### Math Madness Is Upon Us

Our Royal Math Team did it again, making it to the Final Four in the school's competition bracket. We achieved this by defeating the Crespi Carmelite Celts, a college prep school in Encino, CA. The final score: Royals-22, Celts-19. Our high scorer was Khandakar Mahin with 6 points, and scoring 4 points were team members Jacob Aaron, Sophie DeMott, Nick Fitzpatrick, Abdalla Elokely, and Iftakhar Tarunno.

The team competed in the semifinal round Friday, December 6, and went up against the Sage Hill School in Newport Beach, CA. Upper Darby is the only Pennsylvania team left in any of the five Math Madness brackets.

