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MANSION ON FIRE

Early Sunday morning, an arsonist set fire to the Governor's residence on Front Street in Harrisburg. According to the Pennsylvania State Police, the suspect, **Cody A Balmer**, turned himself in to police custody yesterday afternoon. According to PSP, the fire caused a significant amount of damage to the public rooms of the residence. The Shapiros and their extended family were present at the time of the fire. They were in a different part of the home, and thankfully, everyone evacuated safely, and there were no injuries.

MEASLES OUTBREAK

A visitor from Texas who traveled to Lancaster County has tested positive for measles, the Pennsylvania Department of Health confirmed Sunday. The individual was contagious between April 3 and April 11 and visited the WellSpan Ephrata Community Hospital Emergency Department on April 8. Health officials say the risk to the public remains low due to Pennsylvania's high vaccination rates but encourage those unsure of their immunization status to contact their healthcare provider. A second measles case was also reported in Philadelphia, prompting officials to stress the importance of MMR vaccination to prevent further spread.

TARIFF-ICALLY CONFUSING

Over the weekend, President **Donald Trump** announced that the temporary exemption of smartphones, laptops, and other electronics from U.S. tariffs on Chinese imports will soon end. While the White House announced a 90-day pause on some tech tariffs last week, Trump clarified that these products remain subject to existing fees and will soon fall under a separate set of national security tariffs. Commerce Secretary **Howard Lutnick** confirmed that new duties on electronics will be rolled out within two months, aiming to boost domestic production of critical technology. The shifting policy has triggered economic volatility and criticism, with opponents warning that ongoing tariff changes could harm growth and create uncertainty for American businesses.

GREEN JACKET GLORY

Rory McIlroy is the 2025 Masters Champion. It took him one additional playoff hole to

win in dramatic fashion, finally claiming the green jacket and completing the career Grand Slam, becoming the sixth person in history to achieve the feat. He defeated Englishman **Justin Rose** in the playoff, who recorded ten birdies during his final round and came up just short in his second Masters playoff loss. For McIlroy, the win ended years of near misses at Augusta and fulfilled a long-awaited milestone in his storied career.

I'M IN

In preparation for Season 17 of Shark Tank, the hit tv show held an open casting call here in the Commonwealth this past Friday for local entrepreneurs. The event was held at Rivers Casino in Philadelphia, attracting hundreds of small business owners and inventors. **Mindy Zemreak**, Casting Director for the show, stated on the event, "Entrepreneurs make the magic. Everyone here is doing what everyone wants to do which is a realize the American dream. This room is alive and well with innovation and hustle and dreamers."



Happy Birthday

- **John Cherry**, Senior Judge, Dauphin County Court of Common Pleas

Committee Meetings

- (H) Democratic Policy – 1:30PM - Public hearing on The Impact of Life Sciences
- (H) Republicans Policy – 2PM - Public hearing on Governor Shapiro's Proposed Prison Closures



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