

HARRISBURG ONLINE

HARRISBURG'S FAVORITE NEWS SOURCE SINCE 1993

Presented by *Greenlee Partners*

April 25, 2025

MAD MAX

Midstate law enforcement is warning the public about the dangers and illegality of riding dirt bikes and ATVs on public roads. Officers say this seasonal issue puts both riders and pedestrians at risk, especially as unlicensed vehicles and operators often ignore traffic laws. The activity has already led to serious accidents, including one fatality last year in Highspire. Police urge residents to keep their distance and report any sightings to help keep streets safe.

WHOOPIN' IT UP

Whooping cough cases are rising sharply in Pennsylvania, with 207 infections reported so far in 2025, according to state health officials. The largest spikes are occurring in densely populated areas like Philadelphia and Pittsburgh, as well as in middle schools, high schools, and colleges. Experts warn that falling vaccination rates—especially among young children and pregnant women—are creating vulnerable pockets across the state. Health officials urge Pennsylvanians to stay up to date on their vaccinations to prevent further spread of this potentially deadly illness.

DISCO INFERNO

Residents in parts of Cumberland County were asked to evacuate last night due to a growing wildfire. The fire has grown to 750 acres with 0% containment. Starting around 5pm on Wednesday, the fire is likely due to dry conditions, leaves, and kindling on the ground. Motorists are asked to avoid the area as there are several roadblocks throughout the region.

MR. AI

President **Donald Trump** has inked a new executive order to march U.S. classrooms into the AI era. A draft seen by The Washington Post outlines lessons in AI for students and private-sector partnerships for schools. U.S. Education Secretary **Linda McMahon** is told to channel federal funds into teacher training and to plug AI into every subject. A new task force will pair agencies with industry to boost AI literacy and critical thinking.

ON THE FAST TRACK

The renowned Penn Relays kicked off this week at Franklin Field in University City. This year marked the 129th meeting of the event, continuing its history as the longest-standing track and field meet in the country. The event began yesterday and included 17,000 student athletes in addition to 100,000 spectators.



Happy Birthday

Today:

- Former Congressman **Keith Rothfus**
- **Brian Preski**, President, Cerberus Government Strategies, LLC
- **Jessica Gray**, Executive Director, PA House Republican Caucus
- **William Schenck**, III, Former Secretary of the PA Department of Banking and Securities

Saturday:

- **Lori Mizgorski**, District Director, Representative Gaydos
- **Luke Bernstein**, President & CEO, PA Chamber of Business and Industry
- **Maggie Foight**, Communications Coordinator, Lancaster Career and Technology Center
- **Jeffrey T. Haste**, Former Commissioner, Dauphin County

Sunday:

- State Senator **Carolyn Comitta**
- Former State Representative **Richard T. Grucela**
- **William S. Ries**, Senior Director, Government and Industry Relations, UPMC

Committee Meetings

- (H) Education – 10AM - Informational meeting on Cyber Charter School Outcomes and any other business that may come before the committee

- **Ted Arneault**, Former President & CEO, Casino World Inc
- **Anthony C. Aliano**, Esq., Chief Counsel, Office of Republican Leadership
- **Ron Grutza**, Senior Director of Government Affairs, Association of Boroughs



GREENLEE PARTNERS

230 State Street,
Harrisburg, PA 17101
717-236-0443

CONTACT US

Greenlee Partners, LLC | 230 State Street | Harrisburg, PA 17101 US

[Unsubscribe](#) | [Update Profile](#) | [Constant Contact Data Notice](#)



Try email marketing for free today!