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#### **STORM SURGE**

On Tuesday, a powerful storm ripped through Western PA causing structural damage and leaving thousands without power. Yesterday, Governor **Josh Shapiro** and Lieutenant Governor **Austin Davis** joined Allegheny County Executive **Sara Innamorato** in a press conference. Innamorato reiterated that an emergency declaration has been made. Duquesne Light stated that complete restoration could take five to seven days.

#### POLL WORKERS NEEDED

Pennsylvania's May 20 primary requires a small army of poll workers in almost 9,000 precincts—and you can join. Registered voters or 17-year-old honor-roll juniors/seniors with parental and principal approvals who are not on the ballot, or a government payroll are eligible. Duties include setting up booths, checking voters, and babysitting machines, all for a paycheck. Apply online through the Department of State or your county election site via www.pa.gov.

#### **CONTAINED**

The two major wildfires in Pennsylvania's Michaux State Forest are largely under control, with crews reporting strong progress. The Thompson Hollow fire in Southampton Township is now 80% contained, and the Hammonds Rocks fire in Dickinson Township is 95% contained. No injuries or property damage have been reported, and firefighting efforts are shifting to maintenance and monitoring for hot spots. Once extinguished, officials plan to prevent erosion and restore the forest floor with native seeding and drainage control.

#### **GUESS WHO'S BACK**

In her first major speech since leaving office, former Vice President*Kamala Harris* denounced President*Donald Trump's* first 100 days as a campaign of fear, constitutional overreach, and economic harm. Speaking at an Emerge Gala, Harris criticized Trump's authoritarian rhetoric, mass deportations, and "reckless tariffs," urging Americans to fight back with courage. She praised those resisting the Administration's actions and warned that Trump's chaos was part of a broader plan to privatize

government.

#### **SWERVE**

The unorthodox traffic lines implemented on a Montgomery County road will now be removed after the township's board of supervisors' recent decision. The township initially made the decision to repaint the yellow lines from straight to squiggly in an attempt to reduce motorists from speeding. The township has indicated that it will be evaluating other alternatives to try and reduce the speeders in the future.



## Happy Birthday

- Former Congressman Matt Cartwright
- Former State Representative *Frank Ryan*
- **Richard M. Sand**, Co-Founder, Sand & Saidel PC
- John T. Yudichak, President, Luzerne County Community College



# **Committee Meetings**

- (H) Republican Policy 10AM - Public hearing on Exploring Pennsylvania's Energy Potential
- (H) Finance 1PM Public hearing on HB 500



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