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In observance of the Fourth of July holiday and freedom in general, Harrisburg: ONLINE will not publish until Monday, June 7th.

SHARIF HITS THE STREET FOR EVAN'S SEAT

State Senator **Sharif Street** has entered the race to succeed U.S. Representative **Dwight Evans**, who announced he won't seek reelection in 2026. Street filed with the FEC on Tuesday. Street has been a State Senator since 2016, the party's chair since 2022, and the Senate Democrat Chairman of the Banking and Insurance committee since 2017.

CLASS DISMISSED & DEFUNDED?

In a surprise move, the Trump administration has announced a freeze of over \$230 million in federal funding for Pennsylvania schools, just hours before it was set to be released. The withheld money affects vital programs for after-school learning, teacher training, literacy, and support for migrant and English-learning students. Funding for seven major federal education programs nationwide is now in limbo.

RECORDS REVERSED

The University of Pennsylvania has nullified three school swimming records previously held by **Lia Thomas**, a transgender athlete, and will issue apology letters to female swimmers who were impacted. This move comes as part of a civil rights case settlement with the U.S. Education Department. Penn will now follow biology-based definitions in sports and prohibit participation of athletes not assigned female at birth on women's teams.

PRIME TIME IN PA

Amazon has expanded its presence in Pennsylvania with the launch of a new Same-Day Delivery site in Middletown, located at 3751 East Harrisburg Pike. This latest facility complements a nearby distribution center that opened just last year. Together, the two sites now employ over 1,000 people and contribute to Amazon's growing network of 23

WHERE AN ADULT CAN BE A KID!

The nostalgic children's arcade, Chuck E. Cheese, announced they will be opening arcades for adults, called Chuck's Arcade. The ten locations offer classic games and some newer ones, a prize counter with classic merchandise, and some will even have pizza! *Will these games of skill be regulated?*



Happy Birthday

Today:

- State Representative **Valerie Gaydos**
- Former State Representative **George Dunbar**
- **Shelley Lindner**, Policy Liaison, PA House of Representatives
- **Mark R. Campbell***, Partner, Ridge Policy Group
- **Isaiah Thomas**, Majority Whip, Philadelphia City Council

Friday:

- **Colleen DeFrank**, Staff Administrator, Office of Senator Costa
- **Jeff Coleman**, Founder & Principal, Churchill Strategies, LLC
- **Jason High**, Partner, Ridge Policy Group
- **Wanda Williams**, Mayor of Harrisburg
- **Melvin Hubbard El**, Senior Community Advisor, Office of the Mayor of Pittsburgh
- **Andrea Faber**

Saturday:

- State Representative **Justin Fleming**

Sunday:

- **Vincent A. Vicites**, First Vice-Chair, Fayette County PA
- **Mary P. Murray**, Judge, PA Superior Court



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