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SUNDAY SCARIES

Governor **Josh Shapiro** signed a bill ending Pennsylvania's long-standing prohibition on Sunday hunting. Calling the ban outdated, Shapiro said it no longer fits modern life or helps manage the booming deer population. The law, which was sponsored by State Representative **Mandy Steele**, includes stronger anti-trespassing rules to ease farmers' concerns and aims to boost hunter recruitment. Game officials say the exact number of open Sundays will be decided soon. The repeal takes effect in 60 days, just in time for fall deer season.

IS THERE A DOCTOR IN THE HOUSE?

Dr. Dave Oxman, an ICU physician and medical school professor at Thomas Jefferson University, is running for PA's 3rd Congressional District in Philadelphia. Oxman has never run for office before but has already raised nearly \$300,000. A Pennsylvania native, he graduated from Temple University medical school and has worked at Jefferson since 2010. He enters a growing field of candidates, including State Representative **Chris Rabb** and State Senator **Sharif Street**, with more expected to announce in the near future.

LAVENDER AND HEADLINES

Congressman **Brian Fitzpatrick** (R- PA) is officially engaged to Fox News senior White House correspondent **Jacqui Heinrich**. Heinrich confirmed the news with a playful "Fact check: true" on X, linking to a People magazine story detailing the romantic proposal. Fitzpatrick asked in a lavender field at sunrise in France.

SIGNED, SEALED, DELIVERED?

The U.S. Department of Justice is seeking answers from Pennsylvania officials about how the state manages its voter rolls. In a June 23 letter to Secretary of the Commonwealth *Al Schmidt*, the DOJ requested 14 types of information related to voter registration, system security, and voter list maintenance. This request was made under the banner of enforcing the Help America Vote Act, which has been in place since 2002. Other states, including Arizona and Wisconsin, have also received similar requests for information with responses due in 30 days.

DEEPFAKE CRACKDOWN

Digital impersonation is now a punishable offense under State Senator *Tracy Pennycuick's* bill, which was signed into law on Monday July 7th. The legislation addresses the growing misuse of technology to manipulate citizens and create deceptive images, videos, and audio. Pennsylvania Attorney General *Dave Sunday* praised the bill's passage, emphasizing that it empowers law enforcement "to proactively investigate and hold offenders accountable." Legitimate artists and creators using AI will continue to have their rights protected, as the law specifically targets bad actors with fraudulent intent.



Happy Birthday

- Former State Representative *Mauree Gingrich*
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