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COLIFORM CONUNDRUM

Swimming is temporarily prohibited at Pinchot Lake after routine water tests revealed elevated levels of coliform bacteria. Gifford Pinchot State Park announced the closure in a recent Facebook post. While most coliform bacteria are not harmful to humans, experts warn that certain strains can cause serious health complications. Visitors are still welcome to enjoy fishing and boating on the lake, just be careful not to fall in!

GOING BANANAS

The Savannah Bananas are in PA this weekend, playing games tomorrow and Sunday at Citizens Bank Park in Philadelphia. The team will be competing against the Texas Tailgaters. The Savannah Bananas have been making headlines across the country for their game Banana Ball, which focuses on fun, dancing, and fan interaction.

WHERE IS THE LOVE

The U.S. fertility rate hit an all-time low in 2024, dropping to 1.599 children per woman on average, according to newly released CDC data. Once at an average of 2.1, the rate has fallen steadily for nearly 20 years as more women delay or forgo having kids. As dialogue around this trend has reached the mainstream, the Trump Administration has floated creating "baby bonuses" and expanding IVF access.

HERSHEY WEEKEND JAM

Drivers in the Hershey area should prepare for heavy traffic and road closures as Hersheypark Stadium kicks off a packed concert weekend. Metal superstars *Pantera* performs tonight, and country icon *Shania Twain* takes the stage tomorrow, both expected to draw massive crowds. Derry Township Police warn of closures on Hotel Road from Hersheypark Drive to Catherine Hall today from 2–8 p.m. and 10 p.m.–midnight. Tomorrow, the same Hotel Road closure applies, with Boathouse Road also closed from Route 39 to Sand Beach Road during those hours.

GROUNDED

State Representative *Brenda Pugh* plans to introduce a bill that would ban drones over school grounds, citing safety concerns and the potential for misuse. Her proposal includes exceptions for law enforcement, security personnel, and those granted permission by a school board. Pugh argues Pennsylvania must act to protect students from drone-borne threats like surveillance or dropped objects. While drones remain legal for recreational and commercial use statewide, this legislation would create stricter limits around schools.



Happy Birthday

Today:

- State Representative Danielle Friel Otten
- State Representative Marci Mustello
- Taylour Trostle, Senior Marketing & Communications Specialist, Centene Corporation
- **Jessica Luce***, District Operations and Outreach Specialist, PA House of Representatives
- Frank K. Gates*, Professional Retiree

Saturday:

- State Representative **Peter Schweyer**
- State Representative Russell Diamond
- David M. James, Partner, GP3 Partners

Sunday:

- U.S. Congressman Glenn "G.T." Thompson
- Former State Representative Jerry L. Nailor
- Fred Sembach
- David H. Wilderman



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