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CHALLENGER

Yesterday, State Representative **Tom Jones** (R - Lancaster) indicated that he would be running for the 36th Senatorial District, currently held by State Senator **James Malone** (D - Lancaster). In a press release, he noted that he was born and raised in the district and is a small business owner. He stated, "I'm running for Senate to stand for the people of Lancaster County as we fight to protect our families, and turn Pennsylvania in the right direction."

STATUE STEELS THE SHOW

After nearly two years of work, Little League International and Pennsylvania College of Technology have unveiled a six-foot stainless-steel globe just in time for the 2025 Little League World Series. Designed by Penn College grads and built by over 70 students, the massive globe represents Little League's global reach. The piece includes metal continents cut and shaped by hand, topped with the Keystone symbol. Fans from all over can admire the globe once the World Series starts on August 13th.

ROY'S RECORD-BREAKING RUN

Former North Carolina Governor **Roy Cooper** (D) kicked off his U.S. Senate bid with a bang, shattering fundraising records in just 24 hours. He'll need every penny as analysts predict North Carolina's 2026 race could cost up to \$800 million. With Cooper likely facing RNC chair **Michael Whatley**, both parties are gearing up for a high-stakes contest that will certainly set the tone for midterm energy around the country.

BIG QUAKE

An 8.8 magnitude earthquake shook Russia early this morning, causing tsunami warnings for some countries, including the United States. This earthquake was one of the most powerful ever recorded. No fatalities have been reported at this time. While not physically felt, Pennsylvania still registered the shock of the earthquake.

TURNPIKE TOLL TROLLS

Pennsylvania's top transportation leaders are sounding the alarm on scam texts and emails posing as PennDOT, the Turnpike Commission, or E-ZPass. These phishing messages falsely claim you owe payments or risk penalties like license and/or registration suspensions. Legislative Transportation Chairs **Judy Ward**, **Marty Flynn**, **Ed Neilson**, and **Kerry Benninghoff** urge residents to stay alert and avoid clicking unknown links or sharing personal information. Residents who do receive suspicious messages should report them to the Federal Trade Commission at reportfraud.ftc.gov, and contact the PA Turnpike Commission's Customer Service Center with any lingering concerns.



Happy Birthday

- State Representative **Malcolm Kenyatta**
- Former State Representative **Jerry Knowles**
- Former State Representative **John E. Pallone**
- **Todd Nyquist**, Partner, Long Nyquist & Associates
- **Tim Nyquist**, Chief of Staff & Director of Policy & Communications, Long Nyquist & Associates
- **David Tideman**, Adjunct Professor, Houghton University
- **Greg Moreland**, State Director, NFIB
- **David Freed**, Former U.S. District Attorney
- **Vince DiCenzo**, Recording Secretary, PA Fraternal Order of Police



Committee Meetings

- (S) Democratic Policy – 10:00AM - Public hearing on Emergency Services and First Responder Recruitment.



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