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## BACK IN SESSION

Congress members returned to Washington D.C. this week with a month left to approve a spending package before a potential government shutdown. At this point, the U.S. House has approved two out of twelve spending bills while the Senate has approved three. It is likely that Congress will pass a continuing resolution for the federal government to temporarily continue operating should Congress not meet the deadline. *Whether it is the Majors or Minors the game is still the same...*

## ANOTHA ONE

State Representative **Morgan Cephas** announced that she will be entering the race for the 3rd Congressional District currently held by Congressman **Dwight Evans**. Cephas will be entering the crowded Democratic Primary field, which includes her colleagues State Representative **Chris Rabb** and State Senator **Sharif Street**. Evans recently announced that he will not be seeking re-election after his 5th term in this seat.

## SPEAKING OF CONGRESSIONAL RUNS

Scranton Mayor **Paige Cignetti** has officially announced her run for Congress, joining a growing list of Democrats vying for competitive seats in 2026. Mayor Cignetti, who has served as mayor since 2019 and previously worked at the U.S. Treasury Department, will challenge freshman Congressman **Rob Bresnahan** in a district that has trended Republican in recent elections.

## SAQUON BARKLEY NAMED NFL'S BEST PLAYER

Former Penn State star and current Eagles running back **Saquon Barkley** was voted the NFL's top player after leading the league with 2,005 rushing yards, 13 touchdowns, and a Super Bowl win. Current NFL players voted Barkley No. 1, ahead of Ravens QB **Lamar Jackson** and Bills QB **Josh Allen**. On the other side of the state, Pittsburgh Steelers own **T.J. Watt** ranked 11th on the list. To view the full list, click [here](#).

# SUNNY STAR POWER

**Rob Mac** and **Glenn Howerton** of It's Always Sunny in Philadelphia will be visiting two Fine Wine & Good Spirits locations in Philadelphia later this week. The Liquor Control Board says the duo will be signing bottles of Four Walls Irish American Whiskey purchased at these locations. The first appearance will be at 6:00 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 5, at Philadelphia Mills, 401 Franklin Mills Cir., Philadelphia with the second appearance at 1:00 p.m. on Saturday, Sept. 6, at Columbus Commons, 1940 S. Columbus Blvd., Philadelphia.



## Happy Birthday

- Former State Representative **Mark Mustio**
- Former State Representative **Emilio Vazquez**
- **Ava Iuliucci**, Director, FTI Consulting
- **Tammy Shearer**, Recorder of Deeds, Cumberland County
- **Jessi L. Sabatini (Pandolfo)\***, Strategy Coordinator, Pittsburgh Steelers
- **Needy Holler Small**



## Committee Meetings

- (S) Veterans Affairs and Emergency Preparedness – 11:00AM - Public hearing on tropical storm Debby; one year later.



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