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DOUBLES

Multiple counties in Pennsylvania have reported issuing duplicate mail ballots in recent weeks. Luzerne County said that 31 voters received duplicate ballots with election officials in Dauphin, Montgomery, and Carbon counties reporting that some voters in their counties were issued or have received duplicate ballots. The creation of the issued duplicates came from technical and user errors in the state election management system. County and state officials stressed that the duplicate ballots have been canceled and unable to be cast or counted.

UPDATE ON FRANKLIN COUNTY SHOOTOUT

State police shared new details Thursday about a shootout in Guilford Township that left one suspect dead and two troopers seriously wounded. The incident began as a retail theft at Dick's Sporting Goods and escalated into a high-speed chase down I-81. Police say the suspect, 31-year-old *Lamar Foy* of Baltimore, opened fire on troopers after crashing into a field. Both troopers were struck but survived thanks to quick medical aid. Investigators later found drugs, cash, and paraphernalia in the suspects' van, which police say was tied to a larger criminal operation. *We hope for a speedy recovery for the troopers!*

ARMADA

Crowds lined Philadelphia's Navy Yard as massive military ships moved up the Delaware River to kick off Homecoming 250. The weeklong celebration honors 250 years of the U.S. Navy and Marine Corps, both founded in Philadelphia. Veterans, families, and officials gathered to salute service, share stories, and mark the start of America's Semiquincentennial celebrations.

PHILLY GETS ROOTED

The 2026 Philadelphia Flower Show is digging into America's gardening past with its new theme, "Rooted." Set for February 28th to March 8th at the Pennsylvania Convention Center, the show will feature immersive displays, a 250th anniversary tribute, and stories celebrating the cultural roots that shaped how we garden today. Tickets are currently on sale and can be purchased here.

GOLF FORE KIDS' SAKE

Joe Holston is back again this year with his golf challenge to support Big Brothers Big Sisters of South Central PA. Last year, he played 6 rounds (108 holes) on one September day with just 3 clubs and no putter. This year, he is upping the challenge by using just 2 clubs to play 7 round/126 holes with only 11 hours of daylight. He will be attempting his challenge next Tuesday, October 14th at Manada Golf Club. If interested in donating or sponsoring, click here.



Happy Birthday

Today:

- State Representative *Dan Moul*
- State Representative Carl Walker Metzgar
- Former U.S. Congressman *Joseph R. Pitts*
- Former State Senator Andrew Dinniman
- Stephen Bloom, VP, Commonwealth Foundation
- George L. Ellis
- *Michael Hogg*, Senior Manager, State Affairs at National Automatic Merchandising Association
- Ron Boston, Senior Associate, Milliron Goodman
- Mark Squilla, Philadelphia City Councilman

Saturday:

- Former State Representative *Paul Costa*
- *Christopher Quinn*, Southeastern Regional Director, US Senator David H. McCormick
- **Scott Arthur Evans**, President Judge, Dauphin County Court of Common Pleas

Sunday:

- Claudia Blandi, VP, Employee Benefit Division, Alliant Insurance Services
- James R. Agras, Chief Executive Officer, Triangle Tech Group

Monday:

- Carla Sands, Former U.S. Ambassador to Denmark
- Adam Pankake, Chief of Staff, Office of Senator Kim Ward
- Estelle Richman, Former Secretary, PA Department of Public Welfare



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